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The New York Times.

THE WEATHER
Snow or rain today; tomorrow, snow and colder.
Temperature yesterday—Max., 36; min., 33.
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U.S. ARMY PREPARES TO TURN OVER ARMS TO OBREGON AGENTS

10,000 Rifles and Ammunition Will Be Sold as Surplus Stock —Airplanes Doubtful.

STEP FULLY CONSIDERED

Administration Holds It is Not Departure From Harding Policy, as Aim Is to Restore Peace.

REBEL PROTESTS ARE VAIN

Huertistas Declare Appeal for Help Will Hurt Obregon With Mexican People.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The decision of the Coolidge Administration to sell American Government arms to the Mexican Government for use against the de la Huerta revolutionists was taken after consultation of the Cabinet. The pros and cons of the question were considered in great detail at Friday's session.

Secretary Hughes laid the matter before the Cabinet, and strongly recommended that the sale be made as concrete evidence of the professions of the American Government in favor of the maintenance of stability and orderly constitutional procedure in Mexico.

Secretary Weeks stated today that the decision of the President in the matter was wholly acceptable to him. He will confer with the President and Secretary Hughes tomorrow regarding the sale. This conference, it is understood, will relate to details of the transaction. It was stated in a high quarter tonight that all that remained to be completed is detail as to the particular war material to be sold, from what army stocks it will be taken and the reimbursement of the War Department.

President Coolidge and Secretary Hughes had discussed the matter, it is learned, before it was brought to the attention of the Cabinet, where it was considered from the viewpoints of both legality and policy. The decision was reached that the President has ample legal power to sell a limited amount of surplus war material to the Mexican Government, and also that it would be right and proper for this Government thus to render material aid to President Obregon in his endeavor to put down the revolutionary movement which is seeking the overthrow of his régime in Mexico.

Government's Decision Criticised.

There is considerable criticism in Washington among those who feel that the Coolidge Administration has either set a dangerous precedent, or acted unwisely, in the sale of Government war munitions to the Obregon Government. Senator Lodge, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, however, is not opposed to the sale. Senator Borah declined to comment, but it is understood he thinks the Administration made a mistake. Representative Garner of Texas, ranking Democratic member of the House Ways and Means Committee, also said he thought it a great mistake to sell American army rifles to the Mexican Government, because it might be interpreted as taking sides in the internal political affairs of a friendly power, and was also likely to lead to serious consequences in the future. "We should have nothing to do with factional differences in Mexico," he said. "Ours should be a hands-off policy."

These criticisms, when brought to the attention of high officials in the Administration, failed to shake their position and it is understood there is no prospect of the decision to make this sale of arms to Mexico being altered. The view of the State Department is that it would have been a serious mistake for this Government to have rejected the urgent appeal made by the Obregon Government, and that the United States Government should at least go this far in endeavoring to assist the present Federal Government to maintain itself against the revolution now in progress.

General Obregon, it is also definitely and officially learned, in confirmation of the statement contained in a Washington dispatch printed in THE NEW YORK TIMES this morning, is not to be given all the war material he wants to purchase on credit from the United States. The proposal from General Obregon, as submitted by Ramon Ross, his special emissary now in Washington, and by Senor Telles, Charge d'Affaires of the Mexican Embassy, was for the sale by the United States Government not only of modern high-powered Springfield rifles and special ammunition for them, but also of two cruisers of the American navy, and a squadron of airplanes.

Request for Cruisers Refused.

That part of the request which related to the two cruisers has been refused by President Coolidge. Secretary Hughes and other members of the Cabinet were opposed to the sale of any American war vessels to the Mexican Government. The rejection was based on the ground that the sale of cruisers by any foreign country would be contrary to the decisions reached at the Washington Conference for Limitation of Armament. Furthermore, the Navy Department is in need of all the light cruisers it can obtain. Naval strategists have been emphasizing the importance of more cruisers, light as well as scout. General Obregon hoped, though purchase of two cruisers, to be able in case of communications of the revolutionists to intercept munitions, shipments to Vera Cruz and take over control of Vera Cruz and Tuxpam, and hold the Tuxpam region, the revenue from which is [illegible]

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CUNARD STEAMSHIP LIMITED — Sailings from New York to Europe. 1:30 P. M. Daily. Connecting Trains for Boat Leave Barclay Street Station, Jersey City, at 10:30 A. M. Daily.

Unhappily Married Men's Club Formed by 200 in French Town

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The little town of Firminy, near St. Etienne, has the distinction of being the first community to organize an "Unhappily Married Men's Club."

The population of Firminy at the last census was 19,580, but when notices were posted in public places calling upon "every unhappily married man in town" to be present at a given place and a given date "in order to organize a club, nominate officers and arrange a banquet," nearly 200 men, ranging in age from 25 to 75, responded.

The humorists of Paris aver that should a similar summons be made here the huge Velodrome would be too small to accommodate the crowd.

KELLOGG IN LONDON SEES BETTER YEAR

American Ambassador Arrives With a Word of Cheer for Fog-Bound Capital.

WELCOMED AT PLYMOUTH

To Cordial Official Greeting He Responds With Message of Friendship.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—A hearty reception was accorded to Ambassador Kellogg as he arrived at Paddington Station this afternoon. He and Mrs. Kellogg had traveled up from Plymouth, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Post Wheeler, in a saloon car attached to the boat train and he was greeted by a large gathering of the staff of the embassy and members of the American colony in London.

Consul General Skinner shook hands with him as he stepped on the platform, and he received from J. B. Monck of the Foreign Office the welcome of Lord Curzon, Foreign Minister. J. Wilson Taylor, Secretary of the Pilgrims, was also there to represent Lord Desborough, [illegible] and Geddes.

The new Ambassador held an informal reception on the platform, and among those presented to him were A. Boyiston Beale, Special Attaché; Walter S. Tower, Commercial Attaché; Candler Cobb, Commander, and Mrs. T. A. Thomson and Major Elgin from the Embassy Staff; Wilson Cross, George W. MacKinlay, Secretary of the American Luncheon Club, and Dr. F. J. Horne. The Ambassador and Mrs. Kellogg then motored to Claridge's Hotel, where they will stop until they can make arrangements for obtaining a permanent Embassy.

The Ambassador will, it is expected, present his credentials to the King when he comes to town from Sandringham to open Parliament on Jan. 15.

Welcomed at Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg landed at Plymouth at dawn this morning. The Ambassador was welcomed by the Mayor and before leaving for London he made a call on Admiral Sir Richard Phillimore, commander in chief of the Plymouth station.

Rain was falling heavily when the steamship President Harding with Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg on board arrived in the harbor. At 6 o'clock Post Wheeler, who has been in charge of the embassy since Colonel Harvey left for home, and F. A. Stirling, counselor of the embassy, and R. E. Bulser, United States Consul at Weymouth, went out to the ship in the Admiral's barge to receive the Ambassador. Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg came ashore about 7:30. There barely was light enough for the barge to be seen as the tiny craft entered Mill Bay dock and with the rain pattering down on the gloomy quay, conditions were unpleasant and uncomfortable.

When Mr. Kellogg climbed the dripping stone steps of the landing place the only people to greet him as he set foot on the soil of the new city were six English and American journalists. The civic reception planned to take place at the top of the steps was transferred at the last moment because of the weather to the waiting room of the dock railway station.

The Ambassador, in spite of the downpour and darkness, was in good spirits. He shook hands cordially with the newspaper representatives, said that he enjoyed association with men of their profession and expressed belief that they would be helpful to him. He was then conducted to the waiting room where he was received by the Mayor and Mrs. Stephen F. Underhill representing the Plymouth Chamber of commerce; C. Davis, representing the mercantile marine, and others.

Following a number of presentations

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HOWARD APPOINTED TO SUCCEED GEDDES IN WASHINGTON POST

Comes Here After Distinguished Career in Sweden During the War and in Spain Since.

LABORITES ARE RESENTFUL

Quick Selection Is Supposed to Be Due to Desire to Forestall Their Government.

GEDDES TO RETURN ON VISIT

Sails Wednesday on Majestic to Say Personal Farewell to American Friends.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Foreign Office announces today that Sir Auckland Geddes, having been informed by his medical advisers that the condition of his eyes will not admit of his immediate resumption of work at Washington, has felt bound to tender his resignation.

In consequence of this King George has approved the following appointments in the diplomatic service: The Right Hon. Sir Esme Howard, P. C., K. C. B., K. C. M. G., at present Ambassador in Madrid, to be Ambassador in Washington; the Right Hon. Sir Horace Rumbold, K. C. M. G., M. V. O., at present High Commissioner in Constantinople, to be Ambassador in Madrid.

It is understood that pending the arrival of the new Ambassador, Geddes is returning for a brief visit to Washington to make the necessary arrangements for his departure and to say good-bye to his numerous friends.

Sir Auckland's decision to resign his post at Washington THE NEW YORK TIMES learned today from one of his closest friends is the result of the advice of his physicians. His eyesight is much better, but his doctors refuse to permit him to expose it to the strain of the continuous reading of documents which his work at Washington would make necessary. He will sail on Wednesday with Sir John Henry on the Majestic as already arranged, but Lady Geddes is not accompanying him, and his stay in Washington is expected to be very short.

It is understood he has not yet made any plans for his future. The Foreign Office announcement contains three surprises for political circles. The remarkable cheerfulness Sir Auckland displayed at his recent public appearances at the Pilgrims Dinner to Ambassador Harvey, and again when seeing Colonel Harvey off, had convinced those who met him that he was well over his eye trouble, and his statement that he would return to his post as soon as he had spent a few days at Christmas with his boys still further persuaded his friends that he was completely himself again.

Howard Well Qualified.

Then the appointment of Sir Esme Howard has caused comment. There is, of course, no doubt of his qualifications for the post. He has had a distinguished career and has done excellent work at Stockholm and Madrid, but he is a professional diplomat and it has become almost the custom to send to Washington not a member of the ambassadorial corps, but a man eminent in other walks of life.

Sir Esme, as a member of the junior branch of the great Catholic family of Howard, of which the Duke of Norfolk is the head, and as the husband of a daughter of Prince Giustiniani-Bandini, one of the great Italian nobles, seemed particularly fitted to represent Great Britain at the court of the Most Catholic Kings of Spain, and it was not expected that he would be moved.

The family of Lady Howard has a romantic history. It is descended from the Scottish Earls of Newburgh, her father actually being the eighth to bear the title, who were mixed up in the Jacobite rising of 1545 and who were obliged in consequence to go into exile.

There is also a surprise at the appointment of Sir Horace Rumbold to Madrid. It was generally understood that his great services at Constantinople and at Lausanne were to be rewarded by the embassy at Berlin as soon as Lord d'Abernon's expected retirement took place.

The celerity with which the successor to Geddes has been appointed has called forth some criticism. It is held that there is no particular reason why the vacancy should be filled immediately. In the past there has been a delay of weeks, or months, in finding the right man for Washington and it has been suggested that the Baldwin Administration is straining its legal rights in thus exercising such important patronage when it itself seems doomed.

The Daily News, for instance, says: "Nobody will want to challenge Sir

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37 Lost on American Freighter Conejos, Sunk in Black Sea by Mine, Says One Report

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Confirmation was received today of the sinking of the United States Shipping Board steamer Conejos in the Black Sea. It is believed that all on board were lost.

The Conejos, a freighter bound from Batum for New York, went down on Thursday. The last wireless message received from the vessel, picked up by the British steamer Molesley, said:

"Sinking fast. Hold No. 3 full of water. Have received no response to calls for help."

In addition to her captain, the Conejos carried six officers and about thirty seamen. American vessels which rushed to the assistance of the Conejos when her first cry for help was flashed by wireless report that they found no trace of the steamer or of her lifeboats. It is assumed, therefore, that if the officers and crew took to the small boats they later were lost in the terrific sea running at the time.

The last "S O S" of the wireless operator on the Conejos, complaining that he received no response to his calls for assistance, makes it pathetically clear that the Conejos sank before her sister ship, the Clontarf, and other vessels which were rushing to her aid could reach the scene.

Scant hope is entertained that any of the crew of the Conejos escaped, as it is believed it would have been impossible for her small boats to keep afloat in the mountainous seas which prevailed.

The Conejos was one of the fleet of United States Shipping Board steamers which specialize in manganese ore cargoes, picked up at various Black Sea ports for transportation to the American market.

MOSCOW, Dec. 30.—Dispatches from Odessa today say that the storm on the Black Sea, which has been raging since Dec. 24, is still in progress. The dispatches say that the [illegible] after having struck a

NEWEST after-theatre supper rendezvous "CLUB ALABAM", formerly Little Club, with "Cotton Pickers". 646 St. Nicholas Ave., cor. 146th.

Four Atlanta Convicts Flee by 50-Foot Tunnel; One Was Partner of Chapman, Mail Robber

Special to The New York Times.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.—Four inmates of the Federal penitentiary, one the partner of Gerald Chapman, million-dollar mail bandit, who has been at liberty since his escape last March, tunneled their way to freedom from the prison about 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Prison officials expressed the conviction tonight that the prisoners, especially George Anderson, had outside assistance, as well as aid on the inside. They believe the daring New York mail robber was forced to use three confederates because they had a means of boring a way to freedom which he lacked.

The authorities are investigating the possibility that the same influences which worked to free Chapman so successfully that he escaped twice, finally to full freedom, have been used to free his partner and thus put at liberty two of the most notorious highwaymen in the country today, who undoubtedly have extremely valuable loot hidden away.

The men who escaped are:

George Anderson, serving a twenty-five-year sentence for participation in the great New York mail truck hold-up for which Chapman was convicted; Hiram Lepper, serving fifteen years for a Federal offense committed in Maryland, who faced a State charge in Alabama, and who figured in a previous escape, only to be recaptured in Minneapolis; Ludwig Schmidt, sentenced at Rochester, N. Y., to serve ten years; Frank Haynes, sentenced at Knoxville, Tenn., for counterfeiting, who would have completed his term in February, only to face a State charge in Tennessee upon his release.

The tunnel, barely large enough to admit a human body, was found to lead from one of the prison tuberculosis tents to a point fifty feet away, just outside the big stone wall.

Haynes and Lepper, tubercular patients, had occupied the tent for some time, but Anderson and Schmidt had no opportunity to assist in the excavation, prison officials stated. It was estimated that three weeks were required for completion of the passage. A detailed description of the fugitives was flashed all over the country, following discovery of their disappearance.

Information that the four men were seen within half a mile from the prison shortly after they are thought to have wormed their way through the tunnel reached the warden and his deputies tonight.

Anderson and Chapman were leaders of what postal authorities say was one of the most daring gangs of robbers known to the Postal Service. Chapman was said to have been the "master mind" in the famous Leonard Street mail truck robbery, in which more than $1,000,000 was stolen.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Four convicts made a sensational escape from Elmira Reformatory at 11 o'clock tonight, stealing an enclosed automobile belonging to a guest at the home of Superintendent Frank L. Christian.

CAFE OWNER SLAIN IN RAID BY ROBBERS

Knocks Down Gunman as He Reaches for Diamond and Is Shot Twice.

MASKED MEN INVADE PARTY

Take $130 From Group Drinking to New Year—Six Other Thugs Hold Up 35 in a Club.

Harry Broder, 28 years old, was shot and instantly killed late last night when three robbers wearing handkerchief masks forced their way into his apartment over the restaurant he ran at 19 Mangin Street. The trio escaped in an automobile after having taken at least $130 from friends Broder had been entertaining.

Broder's cafe is a much frequented resort. Broder's cafe in a much frequented resort, his friends said after the murder that large profits he was thought to be making on the holiday trade doubtless had brought the gunmen down on him.

Broder and his four friends were drinking to the New Year, police said, when Broder answered a rap at the door. With the natural caution of the east side, he opened the door only a crack, when a burly figure in the hall outside threw himself against it, forcing his way in, followed by two confederates. All were armed.

The gruff order of "Hands up!" was promptly complied with. The robbers quickly went through the pockets of the group, getting $130. One gunman, searching Broder, noticed his diamond tiepin. He reached for it and Broder floored him with a blow.

Shot Twice Through Heart.

Instantly one of the other robbers fired pointblank and Broder fell, shot twice through the heart. The three men fled, and were heard racing off in an automobile to the north. Police were summoned, and a general alarm for the fugitives was sent to every precinct in the greater city.

Thirty-five men were at tables playing cards at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning in the Lithuanian-American Citizens' Club at 803 Driggs Avenue, Brooklyn, when six strangers entered. All carried pistols. Four wore black masks. The other two had caps pulled down over their eyes.

Three of the robbers lined up the thirty-five men, with pistols pointed at them, while the other three searched them. The six gave final warning that they would shoot if there was an outcry and left in an automobile.

Though the police refused to give any information on the case, it was learned yesterday that shortly before midnight a clerk in the Great Atlantic and Pacific store at Park Place and Schenectady Avenue, Brooklyn, was robbed of $250 by a woman and two men.

The woman, described as young and blonde, asked the clerk for a pound of butter. As he turned to get it, two men entered and pointed pistols at him. The girl and the two men bound the clerk, thrust him into a rear room and departed in an automobile.

Miss Gladys Hanson, an actress in "The Blue Bird," at the Jolson Theatre, at 10:30 on Saturday night told the police that a well-dressed young man had entered her dressing room, apologized with, "Excuse me, I thought it was Bill's room," and bowed himself out.

The man went into the adjoining room, assigned to Harold de Becker and John Nicholson, members of the cast, and obtained $165 worth of jewelry. He also rummaged through a dressing room on the third floor, assigned to Reginald Barlow, also of the cast, and took a $175 diamond stickpin. After the robberies were discovered police forbade any men of the cast or theatre crew to leave the building until Miss Hanson had seen every one of them. More than 100 men were lined up on the stage with all lights on, while Miss Hanson passed before them. She said that the man who went into her room was not among them.

Masked Men Hold Up Store.

Three masked men late Saturday night held up and robbed Harry and David Kowalsky and the latter's wife, Bertha, of $400 and a diamond ring in their poultry market at 460 Morris Avenue, the Bronx. The same place was held up ten months ago by four men who escaped after a pistol duel with detec-

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TO LOOK AND FEEL BETTER TAKE Just-Rite after meals.—Adv.

SCOUR LONG ISLAND, GET $20,000 LIQUOR

Dry Agents Mass Near Freeport in Campaign to Stop Smuggling.

MAKE SEVEN ARRESTS

Holiday Poisoning Deaths Now Total Eleven—Four More Are Stricken.

Liquor valued at $20,000 and apparently intended for New Year's consumption was seized and seven prisoners arrested on charges of violating the Volstead act early yesterday morning at or near Freeport, L. I., by a large force of prohibition agents concentrated there under the personal leadership of Divisional Chief R. G. Merrick. The raiders, in an effort to stop traffic between the liquor fleet and that section of the Long Island shore where landings by liquor runners have been reported most frequently, covered the south shore all the way from Freeport to East Rockaway.

There were fourteen raiders. They worked under direction of Assistant United States Attorney Oliver E. Mosser of Brooklyn, as well as under Divisional Chief Merrick. One of the first seizures was a truck on the road to East Rockaway near the Cannon Inn.

When the raiders found the truck, it is alleged, liquor was being unloaded from it. The prohibition agents seized the truck with twenty cases of Scotch whisky. They arrested Fred O. Thurnduer of West New York, N. J., and Otto Krueger of Lynbrook, L. I., despite the latter's protest that he only held a lantern for the driver and that he was ignorant of what the cases contained.

Seize Second Truck.

A little later the raiders overhauled another truck on the same road, ordered it to stop, and found 105 bags containing 600 quarts of whisky. They arrested Joseph Grunelli, 134 Thirty-third Street, West New York, N. J., and Henry Anderson of 132 West Forty-fifth Street, Manhattan, on charges of violating the Volstead act.

Further on they chased a coupe toward Jamaica. The suspect supposed he was being pursued by hold-up men and increased his speed, but not sufficiently to leave the other car. When the raiders overtook the coupe they found a frightened young man and young woman inside, but no liquor, so they apologized and the coupe continued on its way.

They next arrested, near Freeport, James Fontana, whose motor truck was stalled by engine trouble. They alleged there were forty cases of whisky on Fontana's truck. They searched other automobiles and trucks and made additional liquor seizures and arrested John Schneid of Freeport and Nicholas Cleggio, 868 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn.

Each of the defendants was released in $500 bail by Albert Johnson, Justice of Peace of Freeport, to appear today before United States Attorney Ralph C. Greene in Brooklyn.

Magistrate Mortimer S. Brown in the Fifth Avenue Court, Brooklyn, yesterday warned drunkards that he would impose fines hereafter on those appearing before him. He made good his threat by fining seven defendants, charged with intoxication, $10 each. In explaining his decision to fine such defendants Magistrate Brown said:

"There was a time when I gave drunks suspended sentences, but I found 'but now I believe they should be fined and punished because when a man gets drunk on the streets in the early hours of the morning he takes a policeman off his beat to escort him to the stationhouse and leaves hold-up men a free field and law-abiding citizens unprotected."

Fight Between Factions.

Holiday liquor was blamed for a fight between a group of Poles from New Jersey and Polish residents of Manhattan at Fourth Street and First Avenue yesterday morning. The faction from Manhattan objected to songs of the New Jersey group. In the course of the row Charles Kolda, 20 years old, of Harding Avenue, Glenwood Park, Ten Eyck, N. J., was stabbed. Patrolmans William J. Clancy and Peter Fitzpatrick, who was attacked by members of the crowd which he tried to disperse and to summon help alleges he fired a shot into the air, which accidentally hit a brick wall, rebounded and struck Stanley Splendy of 155 East Fourth Street. In the melee Teplensky was hurried in a taxicab to St. Mark's Hospital. Kolda went home after an ambulance surgeon gave him first aid treatment.

The number of deaths from holiday liquor was increased to eleven yesterday when Thomas Coakley, 34 years old, of 2,223 Third Avenue died on the way to Harlem Hospital after he was found in a coma at 129th Street and Second Avenue.

Four others suffering from alcoholic poisoning, two of whom were reported to be acutely ill, were taken to Bellevue Hospital, increasing to 158 the number of alcoholic admissions since Christmas. Of that number thirty-six were women.

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CHURCH TRUCE ENDS; BOTH SIDES REOPEN BIBLE CONTROVERSY

Dr. Joseph G. H. Barry, Rector of St. Mary's, Attacks Episcopal Modernists.

ASKS THEM TO BE SPECIFIC

Charges They Want to Stand at the Altar and Say Mass Without Believing It.

GRANT CRITICIZES BISHOPS

Dr. Potter and Dr. Guthrie Protest Against Literal Interpretation of Scripture.

The Christmas truce in the Protestant Episcopal Church, already cracked by the attack on the "autocracy of the episcopate" by the Society for the Promotion of Evangelical Knowledge, was broken yesterday in a dozen pulpits. Revival of the controversy between the conservatives and the liberals, which so far has centred upon the necessity for a clergyman of that faith to accept the doctrine of the virgin birth of Christ, seemed certain and there was every indication that the grounds of the dispute would be broadened.

The attempt of Bishop William T. Manning of New York, and other bishops, clergymen and laymen to bring about a settlement of the controversy, the first step toward which was taken at a conference here last Friday, seemed likely to fail, if the attitude of the local members of the Modernist group furnished an indication.

The Rev. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant, rector of the Church of the Ascension, declared in his sermon that he hoped that the controversy would not be hushed up by secret conferences and shunted off in fear of hurting the drive for a fund for the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Dr. Grant asserted that the progressives in the different Protestant denominations had much more in common with each other than the progressives and conservatives in the Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Dr. William Norman Guthrie, rector of the Church of St. Mary-the-Bouwerie, put himself in the van of Modernists by preaching on the "Christ Myth About Jesus," and adding that he was much interested in the story as a historian, but not as a minister.

"I have been thirty years in the ministry and never have spoken this way before," Dr. Guthrie said, "but I'm not going to let my brother get into trouble unless I go with him. And a good many of us are going to get into trouble."

Notice of the controversy between the Fundamentalists and the Modernists, which is not confined to the Protestant Episcopal Church, was taken by clergymen of other denominations. The Rev. Dr. Charles Francis Potter, minister of the West Side Unitarian Church, predicted that a new and greater religion would come out of the controversy

Not Opposed to Evolution.

Dr. Joseph G. H. Barry, at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, made the leading utterance for the High Church party. His sermon was delivered during the celebration of high mass with Bishop Webb of Milwaukee pontificating. Five priests, clad in gorgeous vestments, followed Bishop Webb in the procession and participated in the ritual, rigid adherence to which is attacked by many of the Modernists.

Dr. Barry objected to the classification of Catholic or High Church group in the Protestant Episcopal Church as Fundamentalists. He attributed this classification by the newspapers to information from the Modernists, which he attributed to ignorance or malice. "If there are and Fundamentalists in the church I never heard of them," he said.

Dr. Barry defined a Fundamentalist as one who insisted upon a literal interpretation of the Bible and upon the acceptance of it as infallible. He said this was not the position of the Episcopal Catholic, who found no conflict between the facts established by science and religion.

"The Fundamentalists seem to be worried about the theory of evolution and the advances in science," Dr. Barry said. "We are not opposed to the theory of evolution or to any sort of scientific advances. We are ready to accept any scientific conclusion that is really a conclusion. There is nothing in the legitimate conclusions of science that clashes in any way with the Christian religion

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Heavy Snow Is Predicted For New Year's Eve and Day

Indications last night promised a "white" New Year's eve and day, with a deep blanket of wind-driven snow, according to the Weather Bureau. Up to 10 o'clock last night one-tenth of an inch of sleet and rain had fallen, which had been preceded by a slight flurry of snow. The Weather Bureau described this as a forerunner of "strong east and south east winds today accompanied by thick weather and snow."

It is expected the wind will swing around to a more northerly direction today and bring with it snow from the mountains of Maine. Snow from that direction is usually of the damp variety that packs firmly.

PRESIDENT URGES JOBS FOR WOUNDED

Writes to Barnes and Gompers, Asking Aid in Placing 70,000 Rehabilitated Veterans.

SUGGESTS NATIONAL ACTION

Advocates Committees for Purpose in Commerce Chamber and Federation of Labor.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—President Coolidge has taken steps to obtain suitable employment for former service men and women disabled in the World War and rehabilitated by the Veterans' Bureau, writing letters asking co-operation to Julius H. Barnes, President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, and to Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor.

In these communications the President called attention to the fact that about 70,000 men and women were still in training under the direction of the Veterans' Bureau and were to become ready for employment at the rate of 3,000 a month.

President Coolidge suggests that the American Federation of Labor create permanent committees to co-operate with local officials of the Veterans' Bureau. In his letter to Mr. Barnes he suggests that the Chamber of Commerce appoint a permanent committee to help in solving the problem.

Mr. Barnes replied to the President's letter, assuring him that the matter would be laid before the whole Chamber for immediate action.

President's Letter to Mr. Barnes.

The President's letter to Mr. Barnes reads:

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Dec. 29, 1923.

My dear Mr. Barnes:

The United States Veterans' Bureau, in its endeavor to carry out the provisions of the Act of Congress known as the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, having for its main purpose to provide for the rehabilitation of disabled men and women of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps who served during the World War, has accomplished much in providing education, training and final employment for these men and women. Up to Nov. 1, 1923, the bureau has accomplished the rehabilitation and return to useful employment of approximately 45,000 disabled ex-service men and women.

During the last few months the United States Veterans' Bureau has carried on a campaign with the definite object of securing the co-operation of important private industrial establishments in the United States and interesting them in the problem of employing these men who have been rehabilitated or that are in process of rehabilitation. Approximately 70,000 ex-service men and women are still in training, covering over 400 district employment offices.

I am glad to say that this appeal has met with most gratifying response. The Governors of many States and the Mayors of some of the largest cities have issued proclamations urging the favorable consideration of all employers in the matter of the employment of disabled veterans of the World War. The United States Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, many Chambers of Commerce in leading cities, labor and trade union organizations and other influential bodies have passed helpful resolutions in favor of the employment by private industry of these disabled veterans.

While much has been accomplished, especially by the United States Veterans' Bureau, in this very vital problem, there is still much to be accomplished, and with this in view, I wish to call the matter to your personal attention and through you to invite the interest of the members of your organization.

After rehabilitating these men and women, the Veterans' Bureau must call upon the executive departments and independent establishments of the Federal Government, as well as upon private employers, to take them into their service and to do everything possible to help the country as a whole

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DEMOCRATS PROPOSE TO SURPASS MELLON IN TAX RATE CUTS

Plan Schedules for Committee Giving More Relief to the Small Taxpayers.

CHARGE 'PLOT' BY MAJORITY

Garner Assails Mellon Program, Declaring "Propaganda" Is Being Used for It.

BONUS BILL COMING FIRST

Coolidge Men Want Prompt Action to Dispose of It Before the Tax Measure.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The fight between bonus advocates and those favoring a reduction of taxes, with the elimination of the bonus for ex-service men, will begin in Congress in earnest in another three weeks, with indications that the bonus will be disposed of finally before the Ways and Means Committee reports a tax bill.

It is evident at the same time that Democratic members of Congress are considering tax reduction plans which will lessen the burden on the small taxpayer more than was suggested in the Mellon proposals.

The minority will not work out a definite program until the bonus is disposed of, but will be prepared to fight for the adoption of such a program in the Ways and Means Committee. Failing there, they will carry the fight to the floor of the House.

Reports coming here are that sentiment for the bonus is lessening rapidly in all sections of the country under the pressure exerted by the voters for relief from taxation. Administration leaders say that members of Congress who spent the holiday recess in their districts, as most of them did, chiefly to put their ear to the ground, found that the demand for bonus is not aggressive and even among soldiers is less assertive than a year ago.

[illegible] the changing sentiment, the Administration leaders now are willing that the bonus bill should be expedited, because they recognize that it must be disposed of before the country's fiscal policy can be fixed. Reports coming to the White House lead the Administration to feel that the bonus will be defeated through the ability of its opponents in the Senate to sustain the veto its is known the President will return to Congress when the bill is submitted to him.

Believe Legion Is Divided.

Since President Coolidge's message approving the Mellon tax proposals there has been such a reversal of bonus sentiment as to convince some of the American Legion leaders that their best course would be to support tax reduction and abandon the bonus in favor of thorough reforms in the treatment of sick and maimed soldiers. Comment has been made here in the last few days that the activities of the Legion lobbyists have been lessened, and this is taken by some Representatives to mean that the Legion is divided as to the bonus program.

The few members of Congress who have returned to Washington from their home districts say that all the talk among the people is in favor of tax reductions. They report that they found bonus supporters less assertive and unwilling to push their demands for compensation with the same boldness as a year ago. This has encouraged many members to conclude that they can safely abandon their pledges to support the bonus and vote for sweeping tax reductions.

Despite Senator Smoot's reiterated assertions that bonus advocates have a lead of two to pass the bonus bill over the veto, the Administration leaders are confident that the opposite will be true when the Senate acts finally.

The situation as Congress prepares to resume work the middle of this week is summarized as follows:

Administration forces are anxious that the bonus shall be acted upon promptly, confident that it will be defeated finally in the Senate.

Returning members of Congress declare that public opinion is thoroughly aroused for tax reductions and the ex-soldiers are not so assertive for a bonus as a year ago.

There is less aggressive attitude by the American Legion in favor of the bonus, with their forces divided, and many demanding that more attention be paid to the treatment of sick soldiers rather than money provided for the healthy.

Democratic Talk of Propaganda.

The sentiment for tax reductions has reached such proportions that the Democrats are charging that it is the result of propaganda approaching a conspiracy.

An attack on the Mellon proposals, as representing big business and inspired to aid those interests by Secretary Mellon as "the highest placed representative of the special interests this country has ever known," was issued tonight by Representative John M. Garner of Texas, ranking Democratic member of the Ways and Means Committee.

"Evidence is daily coming to light that the nation-wide propaganda to convince the people and their representatives in Congress to the Mellon tax bill scheme all of its provisions were made known is the result of a huge organized conspiracy on the part of the predatory interests constituting special privilege," said Mr. Garner.

"Plain and convincing evidence of this conspiracy is found in the wording of telegrams and letters being received by Senators and Representatives [illegible] are in identical language

Coolidge Men Figure 597 Votes for Him On First Ballot, Giving Him the Nomination

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Administration leaders after careful canvasses during the holidays figure that President Coolidge will be nominated on the first ballot with 50 or 60 votes to spare. They count on the votes of 597 delegates. There will be 1,109 delegates at the convention, making 555 votes necessary for a choice.

These calculations take into consideration Johnson and favorite-son States that have shown radical and independent tendencies, although some of these States are expected to send delegates to the convention instructed for Coolidge.

The States expected to elect Coolidge delegates are: Arkansas, 14; Florida, 10; Georgia, 18; Louisiana, 13; Mississippi, 12; South Carolina 11; Texas, 23; Virginia, 17; Maine, 13; New Hampshire, 11; Vermont, 11; Massachusetts, 39; Rhode Island, 13; Connecticut, 17; New York, 61; New Jersey, 31; Pennsylvania, 70; Ohio, 51; Michigan, 28; Kentucky, 26; Kansas, 23; Delaware, 9; Utah, 11; West Virginia, 18. Total, 597.

In the above list only the States classed now as reasonably certain to return Coolidge delegates are given, although the Administration leaders express confidence the sentiment shown a healthy increase as Congress proceeds in its work. States now classed as doubtful will elect delegates instructed for the President. All of the West Coast States are not included in the calculations, as the section where radicalism has been rampant have not been classed as certain to go for Coolidge as the States in the list.

Illinois, for instance, which early appeared favorable to Johnson, but is veering rapidly away from him at present, is allowed to remain in the doubtful column. Coolidge is expected to pick up a number of delegates in this State.

Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota and Minnesota are counted upon for the most part to elect delegates opposed to Coolidge. The [illegible] tional fight in Indiana still make [illegible] State doubtful, although President [illegible] ge is now believed to have a [illegible] chance of capturing it on the first [illegible] ballot.

terests to influence the unsuspecting public and to bulldoze, intimidate and coerce Congressmen.

"In this case the propaganda emanating from this organized conspiracy attempts to coerce Senators and Representatives to support the Mellon tax bill before they have had the opportunity to see the bill or to study and to understand its provisions. It is plainly evident also that the constituents of the Senators and Representatives who signed these messages could not have known all of the provisions of the Mellon tax bill, because most of the messages were received before the bill was made public.

"The unconscionable instigators of this conspiracy have not only sought in this way to browbeat and coerce Congress, together with the implied threat contained in these identical form messages, but they have attempted, and in a large measure apparently succeeded in the attempt, to mislead the public by keeping secret some of the most objectionable provisions of the Mellon tax bill while they were attempting to have the bill generally endorsed by the public before its provisions could be made known. Only through the insistence of Democratic leaders has the bill been made public in all its provisions, so that the people for the first time know what the bill contains.

"The discovery that the Mellon tax bill fails to give millions of farmers, tradesmen and small business men generally the relief they were told they would get by the Mellon bill propagandists has fully justified the attitude of Democratic and Western Republican Congressional leaders in refusing to accept the measure in advance and without the opportunity to scrutinize its provisions. Many of those who criticise these leaders are now, in the face of the disclosures of the Mellon bill's inadequacy and inequities, urging its amendment to include these millions of taxpayers in its alleged benefit.

"Even representatives of the Coolidge Administration on the Ways and Means Committee of the House, who heralded Mr. Mellon's proposal as perfect and incapable of improvement, are also busy in efforts to patch up the bill to save themselves from the wrath of the millions of farmers, tradesmen and small business men against whom the Mellon bill made such unjust discrimination. While Secretary Mellon, on the other hand, was cutting his own income tax in half the taxes of the very biggest individual and corporate taxpayers.

Promises to Expose Inequities.

"The inequity in some of the provisions of the Mellon tax bill will be thoroughly demonstrated and, if possible, corrected when the Democrats have an opportunity to discuss the bill and offer amendments or a substitute measure. Democrats in Congress can be depended upon to act favorably upon every sound provision of the Mellon plan, but they will not be coerced into accepting its unjust and discriminatory provisions by any cooked-up propaganda.

"Secretary Mellon is the highest placed representative of the special interests this country has ever known, and among all previous administrations and in Congress there has been none on such a huge scale to compel public endorsement of a bill before all of its provisions were made known as the present conspiracy, nor any in which the methods used were bolder or more effective.

"The effect of this self-exposure of this conspiracy should be not only to check its operations but to warn the Congress and the public against the method used, and to ultimately secure tax revision upon an equitable basis and not for the major benefit of that class from which the conspiracy emanated."

Call Plan Key to Prosperity.

Additional comments favorable to Secretary Mellon's tax reduction plan by business men were made public yesterday. The plan continues to be hailed with unanimity as one that will be helpful to all classes and will guarantee the country's prosperity.

Asserting that taxation "is becoming a brake upon private initiative and general business," Knowlton Durham, President of the ex-Service Men's Anti-Bonus League, declared in a letter to Senator Copeland, made public yesterday, that to favor both the tax reduction plan and bonus "is somewhat like saying that you do not care how sweet sugar is unless it is sour." The bonus proposal, called for by the bonus proponents, to which you give your enthusiastic approval," the letter said, "involves repayments at the rate of approximately $125,000,000 a year."

Mr. Durham and Edward E. Spafford, Commander of the New York State Department of the American Legion, will take opposing sides in a debate on the bonus at the National Republican Club on Saturday.

Additional comments on the Mellon plan follow:

Henry Ives Cobb, Chairman of the Merchants' Association's Committee on Taxation and Public Revenue: "When one studies the Mellon Tax Reduction bill one is overwhelmed with a feeling of the tremendous advantage to our country of having a law that is most vital to its future prosperity prepared by an outstanding master of his subject, with all accurate records and specifics at his disposal, and the personal courage to tell his fellow-citizens the truth, the whole truth, nothing but the truth."

E. W. Forrest, Secretary Forty-second Street Property Owners' Association: "A modification of the present taxation along the lines of the proposed Mellon legislation will undoubtedly meet with the hearty approval of all thinking citizens."

Henry C. Holt: "Am heartily in favor of the plan."

Homer Foot Jr.: "Am decidedly in favor of it. It is a good thing we have such a man as head of the Treasury Department."

Crosby Gaige: "Am very much in sympathy with the idea."

Clydesdale Cushman: "Inasmuch as all taxes are eventually passed along to the ultimate consumer in the form of increased cost of living, it is obvious that this tax reduction would reduce the living expenses of every man, woman and child in the country and therefore the plan should receive the hearty support of every voter."

M. L. Morgenthau: "I am heartily in favor of it. The quicker the taxes are taken care of the quicker business will increase."

The Broadway Association made public yesterday excerpts from letters from Senator James W. Wadsworth Jr. and Representatives Nathan D. Perlman, Ogden L. Mills and Fiorello H. LaGuardia, all of whom endorsed Secretary Mellon's plan.

SOVIET URGES HASTE IN VATICAN PARLEY

Tchitcherin Declares Church's Position in Russia Is Illegal and Must Be Altered.

OFFERS SOME CONCESSIONS

But He Believes Poles Are Blocking Negotiations, and Presses Rome to Avoid Delays.

By WALTER DURANTY.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

MOSCOW, Dec. 30.—"The Russian Government wishes to reach an agreement with the Vatican as soon and as complete as possible," said Foreign Minister Tchitcherin to THE NEW YORK TIMES today.

"We have no objection to a full agreement, involving mutual diplomatic recognition with a papal representative here and a Russian representative at the Vatican, which we regard as a State to which we can accredit our envoy irrespective of religious views.

"But without full de jure recognition there is urgent reason to find a modus operandi without delay. At present it is an anomalous—I might almost say illegal—position which the Catholic Church holds in Russia. The status of religious cults in Russia was first determined by a general decree early in 1918; then by subsequent additional decrees in regard to particular cults—that concerning the Catholics dated April 27, this year.

"It not unnaturally happened that these decrees, issued by the Revolutionary Government, contained points incompatible with the practices and principles of the different cults. In case of Mohammedans, Buddhists and some Christian sects, we reached an amicable and mutually satisfactory compromise on such points by formal agreement. We are prepared to do the same with the Catholics."

Generally speaking, the situation is similar to that Napoleon faced following the French Revolution, toward Rome. The French Revolution had made enactments incompatible with the practices and principles of the Roman Catholic Church. Napoleon finally settled the matter by the famous "Concordat" with the Vatican, which established the legality of the Catholic religion in France on terms the Pope was willing to accept.

"I mean by this," continued Tchitcherin, "that we won't insist on the maintenance of such points as the election of Catholic priests by the congregation, which is a flat contradiction of the basic principles of the Catholic Church.

"On the other hand, we would expect the Vatican to abandon its claim for Catholic schools, which is equally contrary to our principle of non-religious education.

"But it is in general terms that I admit our readiness to make concessions to Catholic principles and practices in order to reach an agreement similar to that already reached with other cults. I must insist all the more strongly on urgency, and lose no more time.

"The decree April 27 above mentioned was suspended for a period of four months, in the hope that an agreement with the Vatican would be made. Then the suspension was extended two months further, to the end of November. Now, at the end of December, the Vatican still procrastinates, and far from an agreement seeming near, negotiations have not even begun.

"Between us and the Vatican there exists an impasse, perhaps due only to misunderstanding, but I fear also to hostile influences at work in Rome.

"I need not tell you Poland is the chief centre of Catholicism in Eastern Europe, and that the great majority of Russian Catholics inhabit the White Russian provinces bordering on the Polish frontier. Obviously, a permanent satisfactory agreement between Rome and Moscow would tie the hands of influential elements in Poland who want Catholicism and Polonism to stand shoulder to shoulder in the fight against Soviet Russia. Instead of being an important factor against Russia, Catholicism would become, in the event of such an agreement, a factor on behalf of friendship with Russia.

"There unfortunately is reason to believe that attempts at a Russo-Vatican rapprochement have been deliberately obstructed. Thus, it appears that the Vatican has been given to understand that a satisfactory modus operandi already has been found here, at the very time when our representatives in Rome, Jordanski, was trying to open negotiations to put an end to the present anomalous position.

"To go more into detail, Jordanski was informed in Rome, first, that the series of six points relative to the position of Catholics in Petrograd approved by Krassnikof, head of the Religious Cult Department of the Soviet Ministry of Justice, was an 'agreement' determining the position of Catholics here generally, which it most certainly was not; second, that the memorandum of various points the decree of April 27 made by Jordanski after a conversation here in September with the head of the Catholic Relief Mission, Father Walsh, precisely with a view to their ultimate discussion in Rome, while Jordanski was proceeding immediately was tantamount to an agreement on the part of the Soviet Government that such points not only would be but had been settled to the Vatican's satisfaction, which, of course, was not the case, as I am sure Father Walsh was aware, for he gave me definitely to understand that he shared my belief that negotiations would be carried on by Jordanski in Rome.

"Nevertheless, in Rome Jordanski meets with the reply on the part of the Vatican: 'We thought all these points already settled, and don't understand why the Soviet Government is reopening the discussion now unless it wishes to go back on its word.

"Hence the present deadlock, which places us in the difficult position of either enforcing our laws concerning religious cults with respect to Catholics—in default of an agreement which we really are anxious to reach—with a consequent religious outcry abroad, or of continuing to permit the existing illegal conditions indefinitely, which we decline to do."

IZVESTIYA AGAIN PROVES CHARGES

Shows Connection Between Soviet and Third International in Article on April 21.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Another article printed in the April 21, 1923, issue of the Moscow Isvestiya, official organ of the Soviet régime, has an important bearing on the controversy over the connection between the Russian Soviet Government at Moscow and the Communist International, it was made known today.

"At the Twelfth Congress of the Russian Communist Party, held at Moscow in April, 1923, after a report by Buckharin on the activities of the Communist International, a resolution was proposed, supported by the presiding body, read by Kamenev, and unanimously adopted:

"A. The Twelfth Congress of the Russian Communist Party approves fully the activities of the delegation of the Russian Communist Party in the Executive Committee of the Communist International.

"B. The Russian Communist Party is fully aware of all the difficulties which are being encountered by the workmen parties of many countries in connection with the growth of Fascism and the mad repressions of the bourgeois reaction which have come down on the heads of the workmen.

"C. The Congress declares to the Communist International that its Russian section considers it to be its first duty now more than ever before to assist with all its resources the fraternal parties of other countries in their struggle for communism, under the experienced leadership of the Communist International."

THYSSEN GETS OPTION ON DAKOTA LIGNITE

Agent of German Industrialist Declares Firm Has Briquet Process for $8-a-Ton Fuel.

Special to The New York Times.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 30.—August Thyssen, who next to Huge Stinnes is the most powerful industrialist in Germany, has perfected plans to enter the American fuel industry with the North Dakota lignite fields as the scene of his endeavors with a new briquetting process perfected in Germany which is said to produce fuel equal in firing efficiency to anthracite, according to Dr. Hans Holswarth, chief engineer of Thyssen & Co. of Mannheim.

Dr. Holswarth arrived in Minneapolis last night after an inspection of the North Dakota fields, and said that options had been obtained on some of the lands inspected. The new briquetting process is a rotary distillation system which removes tar gases and other by-products from lignite, producing a hemcoke.

Dr. Holswarth said this coke is ground and briquetted with the pitch obtained in the by-products and can be produced and sold in Minneapolis for $8 a ton.

GEN. LEHAR PREDICTS NEW WAR IN EUROPE

Will Come When America Has Withdrawn and Russia Is Ready, He Says.

HAPSBURG TO RULE AGAIN

Exiled Leader of Two Attempts to Reinstate Charles Sure Hungary Will Revive Monarchy.

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VIENNA, Dec. 30.—General Baron Lehar, who headed both monarchist attempts to reinstate the late Emperor Charles on the Hungarian throne and who now is a political refugee in Vienna, is optimistic concerning the cause of the Hapsburgs he espoused and patiently waits for the day which he is convinced will come when the monarchy will be restored.

General Lehar, who is the brother of the well-known composer Franz Lehar, fought throughout the war and was decorated for bravery. Speaking of Hungary's future as a monarchy, General Lehar expressed to THE TIMES correspondent the hope that America would sympathize with the cause when the time came.

"At present," he said, "the most urgent question for Hungary is money and land reforms, therefore we welcome the proposed loan. But after these two questions have been settled will come the question of the form of government."

He spoke with enthusiasm of young Prince Otto, saying that Hungarians would have a republic or a Hapsburg descendant, but no other pretender.

"The general feeling is naturally for a monarchy," he continued, "although all are not frank enough to admit it. In any event, the present situation is considered by everybody as a provisional one. The economic necessity of a large Danube State is so urgent that it must come.

"At present there is a fight for leadership among the succession States, but a new form will be found for the existence of these people of the Danube, and geographical proportions are so much more important than ethnographical in Hungary," he added, quite confident about the future and geography works in our favor.

"When Wilson's fourteen points were proclaimed I said, 'Wilson is either as great as Jesus Christ or the greatest criminal in the world.' I have lived my whole life in a country where the people of twelve different nationalities were treated justly. We thought that Wilson started from the standpoint of equal rights of all nations, but he in no way fulfilled the hopes he awakened.

"Wilson, moreover, was wrongly informed concerning the plans of our enemies, otherwise he would never have delivered three and a half million Hungarians to merciless, uncultured peoples, who abuse their rights over citizens' property, estates, &c. These Hungarians now call to the world for justice, but no one heads them. It is as though an American State were delivered to Mexico to be governed by Mexican officials.

"Land reform is certainly needed. Appropriations of land for the poor people are a social necessity which we all acknowledge. When, however, not from economic or social motives but for reasons of politics and revenge estates and property are seized by the wholesale such bitterness is awakened in the people that peace can never be restored. This continual dissatisfaction at the peace of Trianon may cause an outbreak any day leading to unexpected developments the extent of which cannot be foreseen.

"Many persons maintain that the war has not yet ended and that the decision will come when America has completely withdrawn and Russia is again fit for action. I am not the only one who believes that the whole of Europe will flame up overnight."

"Efforts are being made to restore the peace of Europe, and America has a great interest in the same, but real peace can only be obtained when the balance of power is restored. Then international commerce and trade will again flourish."

General Lehar remarked with pride that he had lived "in two small trunks" ever since the commencement of the World War and that for the present he saw no other prospect.

SEES RUHR STRANGLED.

Noyes Says French Back Separatists —Flouts Monroe Doctrine.

In an address last evening before the Community Church Forum at Thirty-fourth Street and Fourth Avenue, Pierrepont B. Noyes, who was for eighteen months the American member of the Rhineland High Commission, asserted that the Ruhr could not be productive economically unless the French withdrew and that sabotage would offset the apparent activity. Mr. Noyes returned a few months ago from a visit to that region.

The speaker charged that the French were back of the Rhineland separatist movement and that there was little sentiment in its favor among the labor leaders, Communists and industrialists with whom he talked. Only French bayonets could propel the movement, said Mr. Noyes.

In an attack on the Monroe Doctrine, Mr. Noyes said:

"The fact is that bad leadership and the exigencies of post-war politics have forced the United States into an attitude toward European affairs as absurd as it is disastrous. The absurdity of the isolationist doctrine preached by our national leaders and would-be leaders is thrown into bold relief by their sentimental 'Fourth-of-July' exaltation over the Monroe Doctrine. Whatever may be said of the beneficent effects of the Monroe Doctrine, that doctrine is a meddling interference with the affairs of foreign countries, beside which American participation in councils seeking to settle the threatening impasse in Europe would seem a harmless academic discussion.

"The prophets of isolation delight to ridicule Mr. Wilson's 'impractical idealism' and his 'making the world safe for democracy.' But in 1823 President Monroe 'rattled the sword' in a quixotic declaration of American protection for the young democracies of South America.

"At that time the South American countries had recently freed themselves from Spain. The motive of the Monroe Doctrine was an enthusiastic, idealistic, crusading attempt to make remote democracies safe. All this hand clapping for the Monroe Doctrine, in so far as it is not a political play on the national, sword-and-cotton pride and patriotism of the voter, is applause for a national knight-errantry more entangling and dangerous than any League of Nations or Council of Peace we might join to aid in the pacification of Europe. Europe regards the Monroe Doctrine as an expression of American imperialism."

WOULD DECORATE WORKERS

Mussolini Approves "Star of Merit" for Loyalty in Industry.

ROME, Dec. 30.—Premier Mussolini has approved a proposal of the Minister of National Economy, Signor Corbino, for a new decoration, to be known as "The Star of Merit," which is to be conferred exclusively on workers of both sexes who have shown special fitness, loyalty and morality, and who have served a minimum of twenty-five years in the same industry or thirty-five years as agriculturists.

Not more than 100 decorations are to be given each year. The decoration will be a silver, five-pointed star with an enameled symbol of Italy in the centre.

MORGENTHAU URGES AID FOR 400,000

Appeals to Americans to Feed Refugees in Greece During the Winter.

CAN THEN BE PROVIDED FOR

Expects Greek Bankers and Business Leaders to Subscribe to $50,000,000 Loan.

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ATHENS, Dec. 30.—Henry Morgenthau who as President of the International Loan Commission is trying to find homes and work for 600,000 refugees has made public an appeal for the appointment of an advisory council of twenty-five of the country's leading Greeks for the purpose of aiding the commission in its tremendous task which he announces will require expenditures of approximately $50,000,000.

Mr. Morgenthau hopes that a portion of the loan to be floated for this amount will be subscribed by Greek bankers and business and industrial leaders in order to show the outside world their faith in their own country. To convert Greece from an importing to an exporting country he urges a 30 per cent. reduction in grain imports. This will be possible as additional acreage is cultivated by refugees.

"America," Mr. Morgenthau said to THE NEW YORK TIMES correspondent, "could help make this project successful if she would only feed these people through the Winter, or until we can get them settled. Two hundred thousand are able to struggle along unaided. But my figures confirm the official Government estimate that 400,000 are in need of outside assistance till Spring.

"They may be classified as follows: The first 150,000 are widows and children requiring continuous assistance; the second 150,000 are in process of being settled on land and receive a wholly inadequate Government monthly ration of thirty pounds of flour; the third 100,000, who survived the Summer by temporary work, require assistance the next four months.

"One has to see the plight of these people in order to appreciate fully the horror of the situation. Nothing like it ever could be imagined. Theatres, churches, schools and camps are crowded with destitute people suffering hunger and cold. The mortality rate is rising daily.

"Our commission is prevented by its organic statutes from diverting funds for emergency relief. I have therefore appealed to the American Red Cross for assistance as last year was much appreciated here. I have cabled Judge Payne asking him to come to the rescue of these people and keep them alive while our commission is placing them on the land and giving them tools to make them productive. The Greek Government is financially unable to cope with the situation. It has done wonders with limited resources in absorbing a quarter of a million refugees, but has reached its limit.

"Everybody here looks to America. Everybody asks what America is going to do. They regard us as their only hope. If we can keep the refugees alive until Spring I am hopeful of accomplishing the task of permanently solving Greece's refugee problem."

Mr. Morgenthau said also that he cabled an appeal of the situation to former Minister Capps at Princeton.

Williams Moore of Bar Harbor, Me., and Colonel Frederick Dunlop Owen of London have joined Mr. Morgenthau's staff of investigators. After a week in Macedonia they have reported:

"There are 60,000 in the Saloniki district alone existing in damp cellars, on mud floors, in mosques, stables and churches, 50 per cent. of whom will die unless they are provided with food, clothing and medicines."

AGREE WITH COOLIDGE ON PLATFORM PLAN

Party Leaders Approve Avoidance of Appeals to Clashing Blocs in Terse Policy Statement.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The suggestion advanced by President Coolidge that the Republican platform should be a terse statement of policy and a declaration containing issues acceptable to the great body of Republican voters is meeting with approval of leading Republicans. Letters received by the National Committee indicate support of such a move and counsel the party leaders to write a platform free of catch phrases intended to win votes from groups and racial and religious blocs.

That the 1924 Republican platform will represent something of the definiteness and soundness of the early platform is the belief of the Policies and Platform Committee recently appointed by the National Committee to erect the framework of a platform for submission to the Resolutions Committee of the National Convention.

Historical memoranda are being gathered by the National Committee to guide this committee, and the best advice on the writing of a party platform found and sent to this committee is the letter Abraham Lincoln wrote to Schuyler Colfax, July 8, 1860, when the convention which nominated Lincoln for President was about to formulate a platform.

The Lincoln letter concludes with these words:

"In a word, in every locality we should look beyond our noses; and at least say nothing on points where it is probable we shall disagree. I write this for your eye only, hoping, however, if you see danger as I think I do, you will do what you can to avert it. Could not suggestions be made to leading men in the State and Congressional Conventions, and so avoid, to some extent, at least, these apples of discord?"

Special to The New York Times.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.—Henry Lincoln Johnson, Georgia's negro member of the Republican National Committee, has presented a certified copy of the committee's call for the Cleveland meeting to T. B. Gerce, who has been named Chairman of the old Republican State Central Committee. This step is considered as proof that the régime established in this State for control of the party under the Harding Administration is due for elimination, and that Coolidge will be the choice of the State leaders.

REPORT 3 MISSIONARIES CAPTURED OR KILLED

Hongkong Hears American Lutherans, Man and Two Women, Victims of Chinese Bandits.

HANKOW, China, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—It is reported here that bandits have captured at Tsaoyang three American Lutheran missionaries, Mr. Hoff and his wife and Mrs. Kilen. Mr. and Mrs. Hoff are said to be wounded.

Another report says three missionaries were killed.

The Lutheran World Almanac gives the name of the Rev. Bernhard Hoff as a missionary stationed at Tsaoyang, Hupeh, in the neighborhood of Hankow, China.

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TO TURN OVER ARMS TO OBREGON AGENTS

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to the Government has been large in normal times.

Whether airplanes will be furnished the Obregon Government is not certain. Decision as to that will probably be reached tomorrow and will depend on whether the War Department feels that it can spare the planes. The Army Air Service is in need of planes and opposed to the sale of any of its effective machines to anybody.

The war material to be sold, however, will include more than 10,000 modern rifles, understood to be of the Springfield type, and about 10,000,000 rounds of ammunition made specially for use in these weapons. The calibre of the Springfield is such that only special ammunition can be used.

Both rifles and ammunition are in the vicinity of the Texas border, in and around Fort San Houston, and it is probable that shipments will be made from those stocks, which can be replenished from the surplus supplies of the War Department. The weapons to be sold, it is understood, will be sold under the provisions of law which govern the disposal of surplus army war material. As the American Army has millions of rifles in stock and a standing army of only about 125,000 men, it is easy at this juncture to find 10,000 rifles that can be declared surplus.

Huertists Protest Today.

It is understood that a protest against the sale of war material to the Obregon Government will be filed with the American Government tomorrow by representatives of the so-called provisional government of the de la Huerta revolutionary movement.

Enrique Seldner, confidential agent of de la Huerta in the United States, en route to Washington tonight and the preliminary protest will be filed after his arrival in Washington. Señor Seldner was formerly chief of a bureau in the Mexican Department of Finance, later served as Secretary to de la Huerta, and was sent to New York to act as Consul General of the Revolutionary Government to vise all shipments for territory under control of the revolutionists.

Manuel Alvarez de Castillo, who has been serving in the Cabinet of the Revolutionary Government at Vera Cruz, is en route to Washington as confidential agent of the revolutionary movement. He is scheduled to arrive at New Orleans tomorrow and due in Washington Thursday. Until recently he was Speaker of the Mexican House of Deputies and has served as Mexican Minister to Germany.

From what was learned in a high official quarter tonight no change from revolutionary leaders will change the attitude of the Washington Government or its decision to sell American army rifles and other war material to the Obregon Government. The Coolidge Administration is opposed to the revolution and in favor of the maintenance of the Government headed by General Obregon and it is for this reason that it has decided to grant the latter's appeal for the sale of arms.

Reversal of Harding Policy Denied.

An authoritative statement with respect to the position of the American Government respecting this sale of war munitions was given to THE NEW YORK TIMES tonight. The State Department with the support of the President, does not consider that any dangerous precedent has been set by this sale, nor that it constitutes any reversal of President Harding's stand in opposition to the sale of cast-off or surplus American Government war material to foreign Governments. It was stated tonight that the Harding policy in this respect stands in every particular, and that the sale of war material to the Obregon Government does not run counter to that policy.

As explained in this authoritative official quarter tonight, the Harding decision against the sale of American arms to foreign Governments has as its basic purpose the maintenance of peace throughout the world. Certain European Governments tried to use American surplus army rifles, and were refused by the Harding Administration which felt that such sale might lead to militaristic rivalry, unrest or even war.

One Balkan power wanted to buy 500,000 American Army rifles early this year. President Harding, on recommendation of Secretaries Hughes and Weeks, turned it down. It felt that the mere sale of munitions might create military unrest in the Balkans, that it might encourage an increase in land armaments among certain European powers and perhaps lead to war. Furthermore, it was felt that this Government should make no sales of Government arms in Europe, or do anything that savored of interference in the European political situation.

The sale of arms to Mexico, according to the stand taken by the State Department, with the approval of the President presents a wholly different question in the present situation. It was emphasized in an informed quarter tonight that the United States Government, which stands by the Monroe Doctrine, is in a wholly different position with respect to affairs in the Western Hemisphere; that the traditional policy of the Washington Government has favored peace, prosperity and law and order in Latin-America; that this Government looks with disfavor upon revolutionary movements, and that, since we have been strong in such professions, we should not lack the courage to put such professions into effect whenever that is warranted by particular situations and can be done honorably and legitimately.

It is learned that the Administration takes the position that General Obregon, whose Government has been in power several years, has furnished sufficient evidence that his Government is desirous of maintaining law and order and protecting American interests in Mexico. It was felt by the State Department that refusal to grant the request in the face of the representations made by the representatives of General Obregon might seriously affect the success of General Obregon's plans to extend his control and encourage the revolutionists. The Administration hopes that on the showing as it stands to date, the Obregon Government will succeed in maintaining the present constitutional Government in Mexico.

It is understood to be the view of Administration officials that if the people of Latin-America desire to change the personnel of their Governments they should seek to do so by the ballot and through constitutional means, rather than by resort to revolutionary methods.

This constitutes the real significance of the action recommended by Secretary Hughes and which has been approved by President Coolidge after consideration of the Obregon proposal by the Cabinet. The action is a friendly warning to certain Central American powers, and the American Government's action is a subject of keenest discussion in the Latin-American wing of the diplomatic corps in Washington.

The action of the Coolidge Administration in the sale of arms is being criticised as both unprecedented and as setting a dangerous precedent. When brought to the attention of high Administration officials tonight they ridiculed such suggestions, pointing out that during the early days of the Harding Administration this Government supplied the Cuban Government with arms to enable it to put down a threatened insurrection in Southeastern Cuba and sent warships there. It was also stated by an official that when if the sale of rifles to Mexico were without precedent this Government felt fully warranted in the decision reached, that this sale of arms does not necessarily have to be followed by the granting of every request from Latin-American Governments for arms, but each situation must be weighed and considered on its own merits.

Huertistas Scoff at Appeal for Arms.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—A statement summarizing advices from Vera Cruz given out here tonight by representatives of the de la Huerta group said the action of the United States in deciding to sell war materials to the Mexican Government had caused "neither special surprise nor consternation in Provisional Government circles."

"For the first time in the history of the nation, said the statement, 'a President of the republic, confronted by a popular sentiment on the part of an outraged people, has answered such terror and lost so much self-respect as to beg the direct aid of a belligerent Government to retain him in power. It anything could unite and solidify the Mexican people in their determination to end the Obregon régime, it would be this.'

According to the revolutionists, the de la Huerta group was advised three weeks ago "of the purpose of General Obregon to dispatch Ramon Ross as a secret agent to the United States to make an urgent appeal for the immediate aid of the Washington Government." His instructions, it was said, were first to enlist the influence of Charles B. Warren, one of the American Commissioners who conducted the negotiations preliminary to the recognition of Mexico. Later, the statement continued, Ross submitted to Secretary Hughes an appeal for two light cruisers, 15,000 rifles with ammunition and a squadron of airplanes, the purchases to be made under a credit or deferred payment plan.

Dealing with the military situation, the statement said:

"In only fifteen days the provisional Government has gained undisputed control of the entire gulf coast of Mexico with the exception of a single port, while on the Pacific, it occupies all ports save those in the States of Sonora and Sinaloa. The continued growth of the movement, the increasing adhesion of new commands and the constant victories of its arms, as distinguished from the hesitating tactics of the Obregonistas, render absolutely certain the triumph of the revolutionary cause.

The statement said that "the support extended in favor of Obregon would provoke no reprisals against American interests."

"Telegraphic advices have been received confirming the issuance of a decree by the Provisional Government at Vera Cruz on the 26th instant, requiring that hereafter taxes on petroleum production will be paid at the offices of that Government, and that taxes otherwise paid will be held to be without effect. It is of great importance that American oil companies engaged in the petroleum industry in the fields of northern Vera Cruz now under the complete control of the revolutionary authority, take notice of this decree."

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 30.—No order for the sale of munitions had reached headquarters of the Eighth Corps area, Fort Sam Houston, up to Sunday night, as far as could be learned.

It was ascertained that there is an excess of munitions in the corps area in so far as the actual requirements during the next year of troops stationed in the area are concerned, though no excess where the army as a whole is considered.

Little surplus property remains in the Eighth Corps area, most of this having been disposed of by public sales during the last few years, it was learned at headquarters.

REBELS IN RETREAT, MEXICO CITY SAYS

Federal Troops Report Advance Toward Guadalajara and on Vera Cruz Front.

Special to The New York Times.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 30.—Reports from the battle lines at Guadalajara say that forces are repairing the railway preparatory to a general advance. It is expected that the rebels will make a stand at Poncitlan, on the railway between Irapuato and Guadalajara. Federal forces report that the station at La Barca was evacuated by the rebels.

President Obregon returned to Irapuato after reviewing the advances of forces under the command of Generals Amaro and Escobar. The President is expected to return to Mexico City on Sunday night.

Telegraphic advices from Irapuato report uncertainty as to the whereabouts of General Panfilo Navarro, who is reported dead after suffering defeat by rebel forces. The Graflo states Navarro, who had 400 men, was surprised by enemy forces and suffered the loss of thirty-five soldiers. The Graflico reports that a small force under Captain Alarcia has routed the State of Coahuila. Cavalry has been dispatched to pursue the rebel force which is small.

The City Council of San Angel, a suburb of the City of Mexico, has been arrested, charged with sedition.

General Gorgon, Chief of the garrison of Mexico City, states the revolt of Romulo Figueroa in the State of Guerrero has no importance as his followers are deserting daily owing to lack of funds. The remainder have few cartridges and are badly armed. Gomez of the Government has enough elements to complete pacification of the country in a short time.

A report from the United States that dock workers have refused to handle arms and ammunition for the rebels is received by the Federation of Labor here. Groups of working men are organizing on the border to help custom officers prevent smuggling of arms by rebel sympathizers.

Tehuacan Occupied by Loyalists.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29 (Associated Press).—Federal occupation of Tehuacan after a skirmish at Carneros, a nearby station where one hundred Maycotte followers were routed, has been officially reported to the War Department by General Eugenio Martinez, Obregonist commander of the Vera Cruz and Oaxaca fronts.

The enemy forces were reported as having returned in the direction of Oaxaca, and are concentrating at Tilapa Hacienda, near the Puebla-Oaxaca border.

Work was started immediately to repair the railway between Tehuacan and Esperanza, which General Higinio Aguilar was reported attempting to render unserviceable, according to special dispatches from Puebla.

The evacuation of Tehuacan by the revolutionary forces is reported to have followed a conference there of fifteen Huertista leaders, including Maycotte, Villareal, Castro, Avila, Reyes, Machuca Solis, Rojas, Rodriguez, Aguilar, Cantu and Lugo, who ordered the departure of the troops.

A revolutionary force of 200 was wiped out at Jalapa Hacienda, near San Francisco del Rincon, State of Guanajuato, by General Eulogio Ortiz, leading the Sixth Calvary. In addition to killing fifteen and capturing sixty-seven rebels are reported retiring toward Monmental standard of the Forty-fifth regiment, which revolted under the command of Colonel Miguel Ulloa, and part of which surrendered Jalapa Hacienda.

Denying reports that General Romulo Figueroa, Huertist leader, operating near Guerrero, in Southern Morelos, was threatening Cuernavaca, the capital of Morelos, The War Department has announced that General Marcelo Caraveo, Federal commander, defeated a large body of Figueroa followers at Zacualpan. According to official statement, fifty-three rebels joined the Federal forces.

Revolutionaries under General Enrique Estrada still refuse to give battle on the Jalisco front and continue retiring, according to official statements which declare the vanguard of the Federal Army under General Joaquin Amaro has occupied Ocotlan without resistance. The rebels are reported retiring toward Poncitlan where it is expected they will give battle.

President Obregon, returned from Yurecuero, has re-established his headquarters at Iraquato. Special dispatches from Irapuato state that the Federal main body advancing upon Guadalajara numbers more than 8,000 with 2,500 cavalry under General Roberto Cruz, and 4,500 infantry, mostly Yaqui Indians under General Jose A. Murillas. Supporting the army are three artillery regiments, a squadron of airplanes, several hundred motor trucks and twenty-eight military trains.

Advices from the Obregon headquarters are that General Higinio Aguilar, who is attempting to block the Federal advance from Tehuacan to Esperanza, has been routed at El Sabinal, near Esperanza, with a loss of eight killed and 14 prisoners.

Additional advices received by the War Department state that rebel forces under General Guadalupe Sanchez continue their retirement along the Vera Cruz front from Chachicomula, Esperanza and Orizaba and are now concentrating on Boca del Rio which is being fortified with naval guns.

The general feeling exists at the Obregon headquarters, according to special dispatches, that should the Huertistas fail to offer battle at Poncitlan, or be defeated there, they will retire to Guadalajara, a strategic point, and will endeavor to make the railway between Tehuacan and Esperanza untenable. Should they be forced into the mountains of Zacatecas without attempting to defend Guadalajara.

Campeche Sends Troops to Vera Cruz.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 29.—Newspaper correspondents with the rebel forces on the Vera Cruz front, in dispatches sent today, say that preparations are continuing for a general advance but that the main body of revolutionary forces still have their bases at Esperanza and Orizaba. Reconnoitering parties in the region of San Marcos and Huamantla report they found these towns abandoned and that they saw no Federal troops.

The dispatches say that rebel troops under General Cavazos are harrassing the Obregon troops retreating to Ieolo from Apizaco. Sporadic firing has been heard between Apizaco and Ixolo.

Dispatches from the Isthmus of Tehuantepec say that the town of Santa Lucrecia is completely beleaguered by rebel forces and its surrender is expected shortly.

Revolutionary headquarters here announced the arrival from Yucatan of the steamer Tamaulipas, bringing rebel forces from Campeche. It is declared these forces are not needed in Campeche because the situation there is well under control.

Attack on Chihuahua City Rumored.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Representatives of the de la Huerta party have received advices that many volunteers of this region are joining the revolutionaries. General Nicholas Fernandez, who was second in command of the old Villista army, has gathered all former Villistas at Canutillo, Durango, aggregating about 1,000 troops, and in conjunction with General Chao, is advancing to attack Chihuahua City.

According to advices here from Vera Cruz the Obregonist troops are abandoning Chihuahua City on account of the superior number of revolutionists.

Huertists Send Agent to Antwerp.

Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 30.—The Mexican Consul in Copenhagen, Hernan Besserer, who has given up his position as representative of Mexico and joined the revolutionary party supporting de la Huerta, will go to Antwerp, where he will act as Consul General in Belgium for the Huertist party.

Mexican Senate Adjourns.

Special to The New York Times.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29.—The Mexican Senate adjourned this evening after electing a permanent commission. The permanent commission will meet next Tuesday and is expected to call a special sessions for the exclusive purpose of ratif

ASKS FULL POWER OVER REICHSBANK

Schacht Will Not Assume Presidency Till Reichstag Gives Him Free Hand.

IS OPPOSED BY ITS BOARD

German Financial Writers Strike Slight Note of Optimism Regarding the Coming Year.

By CYRIL BROWN.

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By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The newly appointed President of the Reichsbank, Dr. Schacht, is hesitating to assume his duties, fearing that the opposition he expects to meet among members of the Board of Managers may seriously handicap him in carrying out certain urgent reforms.

Dr. Schacht, who, with the Finance Minister, Dr. Luther, is generally given credit for stopping the note presses and stabilising the mark, was appointed President of the Reichsbank against the unanimous vote of its Board of Managers, who preferred Dr. Helffrich. President Ebert, however, in whom the power of appointment is vested, exercised it in favor of Dr. Schacht, who had the overwhelming majority of public opinion, as well as the most important financial, industrial and commercial circles, behind him.

Helffrich's Friends Active.

There is said to be good reason to fear that Dr. Helffrich's friends, most of whom belong to influential nationalist and agricultural circles, have not yet given up hope of getting control of the Reichsbank, and to that end have gained the aid of certain members of the Board of Managers, which shares a sort of co-operative authority with the President of the bank to paralyze any measures Dr. Schacht may introduce.

This is specially feared in regard to the gold note bank which Dr. Schacht desires to establish in conjunction with the Reichsbank to make stabilization of the mark permanent. Dr. Helffrich has another plan to bring about permanent stabilization which would, however, surrender the Reichsbank and probably the whole system of German finance to control the Nationalists and therefore is a very unpopular step.

For this reason Dr. Schacht will not assume his new office until the Reichstag has passed a law that gives the President of the Reichsbank the necessary power to ignore his Board of Managers and hold him responsible only to the President of the Republic.

Hopeful Factors Seen by Germans

BERLIN, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—There is a slight note of optimism observable in the current year-end. Appraisals by the financial writers of the immediate fate or continued stability of the German mark, and such scattering reservations as manifest themselves in some of the more cautious predictions, are wholly suggested by possibilities as to the ultimate imposition of reparation terms which cannot be met, and of the central government's inability to keep the nation's internal economic organism sufficiently co-ordinated to protect German credit at home and abroad.

Two factors especially prompt a majority of the writers to consider German finances hopefully for the coming year, these being the appointment of Dr. Schacht as President of the Reichsbank and the continued ability of the rentenmark to assert itself as a reliable stabilizing influence during the period preceding the inauguration of a national gold currency.

Within another week the Rentenbank expects to have 2,400,000,000 of its total authorized capital of 3,200,000,000 rentenmarks in circulation. It has already placed 1,200,000,000 at the disposal of the Central Government through the Reichsbank, which now is being used to call in trillions of discounted Treasury bills. The champions of the rentenmark have an abiding faith in its ability to absorb or assimilate numberless paper marks, and view it as the inevitable forerunner of a regularly ordained gold currency, which is the cardinal feature of Dr. Schacht's program of Reichsbank reform.

Has Voice in the Cabinet.

While Dr. Schacht has not yet installed himself in his new post, his backers announce that he is determined to give the central banking institution a complete overhauling, both with respect to its administration and its official financial functions. He will retain his position as Federal Currency Commissioner, in which capacity he is allowed "a consulting voice" in the Cabinet sessions.

Dr. Schacht's friends predict that he will promptly encounter hostile currents in the Reichsbank itself, especially among the members of the so-called Central Committee, a semi-supervisory body composed of private bankers, industrialists and political appointees, who sharply opposed him while he was under consideration by the Federal Council. Much of this opposition is explained on the ground that the Reichsbank now has an official head, who graduated from the active banking world, and that Dr. Schacht also is an acknowledged authority on currency problems and the sworn foe of inflation policies.

In addition, he is reputed to be opposed to the extension by the Reichsbank of generous private credits, a condition which obviously is assuming liberal proportions, according to the Reichsbank's latest returns.

GREAT FLOODS MENACE MANY FRENCH CITIES

Paris Quays and Suburbs Are Under Water and Southern Provinces Inundated.

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—The rivers of France are at freshet, causing great suffering to the people and much damage to property.

The flood season has come earlier and is worse than usual, following two months of almost continuous rain. The situation along the Seine in Paris will become critical tonight. Officials forecast a further rise of two feet in the river by Wednesday, when the inundation will begin to take as aspect of a disaster. Sixty bluejackets, with nineteen collapsible boats, have been ordered here from Cherbourg and are due to arrive tonight.

The quays in Paris and the suburbs are under water; cellars have been flooded, and some householders in the low-lying quarters have been obliged to move, taking with them such of their furniture as they could.

In the Provinces the situation is even worse. The river Rhone is rising rapidly. The low-lying country through which it flows is submerged. At Nevers, on the Loire, half the town is inundated and 400 persons have had to quit their houses. Water is pouring through the railroad cut in the neighborhood of Clamecy. The overflow of the Marne has converted the country from Vitry le Francois to Chalons into a vast lake.

In addition to the floods in the south of France there has been a mistral of exceptional violence which has put telephonic communication with Paris, Marseilles, Nice and Italy out of commission, and almost completely cut off telegraphic communication.

The postal authorities tried to send a fast airplane to Marseilles and Turin with accumulated telegrams, but the aviator was compelled to give up the trip.

At Toulon the transport Indrus parted her cable and was blown ashore. All ports and inlets are filled with ships seeking refuge.

Numerous distress signals from vessels in difficulties have been reported from various wireless stations.

YES, THE WORM HAS TURNED

Exasperated Londoner Hits Grocer Who Admits Having No Bananas.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A badly bruised groceryman limped into a police court today and told a story which exasperated people had been expecting these many months.

Addressing the Magistrate the groceryman said:

"Your Worship, a customer came into my shop and asked forabanan. I replied, 'Yes, we have no bananas.' Then he struck me."

BRITAIN INQUIRES INTO FRENCH LOANS

Asks Little Entente Nations About Guarantees Given by Them for Military Credits.

REMINDS OF ALLIED CLAIM

Paris, Irritated, Sees in Move Attempt to Counteract France's Influence on Continent.

By EDWIN L. JAMES.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The year 1923, which began with a split between England and France on the Ruhr occupation, ends with a new quarrel between them. This has risen through British counter-action of French efforts at a political hegemony on the Continent which has been progressing steadily since Paris assumed the reins of political leadership which London dropped when Mr. Lloyd George left Downing Street.

Two days after the announcement that Paris and Prague had practically completed an alliance of an intimate character, news comes from Warsaw, Belgrade and Bucharest that Lord Curzon, the British Foreign Minister, is inquiring into the nature of the guarantees given by these Governments to France for loans of more than 1,000,000 francs to strengthen their armies, which armies in effect if not in reality are commanded from Paris.

It is understood that Lord Curzon has reminded the Governments of these countries friendly to France that by virtue of various peace treaties written at the Paris Conference the allied and associated powers generally hold a prior right on their assets because of what they owe for reparations as successor States of the Central Powers and exhibits curiosity to know whether these rights have been rigidly reserved in the committments given M. Poincare's Government in return for the armament loans just voted by the French Parliament.

Irritation in Paris.

This has caused irritation in Paris, where the motive attributed to Lord Curzon is the wish to counteract the growing French influence. In the first place it is pointed out that of the reparation claims to which Lord Curzon refers only a very small part would go to England if they were paid, and it is commented that it is not very friendly on the part of England to foster these young nations, struggling as they are with the aid of France to achieve a place in the sun.

In the second place, Paris recalls that Lord Curzon has never been inclined to object when it was a question of Germany, the big debtor of France, using her national resources for other purposes than the payment of reparations, for instance, fighting the French and Belgians in the Ruhr or buying food from America and England.

As for the British point that if France can afford to extend credit of more than a billion francs to these countries to build up armies France controls, France could pay some of her debt to England and America, the French observe that their frequent protests against expenditures by Germany of vast sums for interior improvement have as frequently brought from London the observation that spending money domestically and paying foreign obligations were two different things, and they add that all the credits extended to her little allies are to be spent in France.

This the French say may irritate England, but gives no proof of France's ability to pay her debts at this time. The French argue that before they can begin the foreign payments necessary to pay the great debts of England and America, France must be paid by Germany.

Argument of the Temps.

The Temps tonight says:

"Why do these nations ask credits of us? Because they must arm themselves more to protect their frontiers. And why do they need to protect their frontiers? Because, thanks to the British policy of the balance of power, peace in Europe is not consolidated."

The Temps tells Lord Curzon that self-preservation comes before paying one's debts, and adds that if England had not been in such a hurry to promise to pay America England would not be in such a difficult position now, because she would be supported in her policy of postponement by all the other nations which owe America.

One may talk in the world capitals of expert committees and of diplomatic tête-à-têtes, but the fact remains that the French Nationalists, who control the Government of France, have worked throughout the year 1923 to establish in Europe an organization of nations so powerful that no other possible organization could excell it.

It is in that program that the French Nationalists see the security of France. It is based on the fear of a larger and more populous nation impregnated with the spirit of revenge. At present France sees no other safe system than that based on force. She has seen no other since America turned down the League of Nations.

FREE STATE RELEASED 3,500 FOR CHRISTMAS

Only 1,866 Prisoners Now Remain in Camps—These Include de Valera and 4 Other Deputies.

DUBLIN, Dec. 30.—Although the Free State Government made no official response to the appeal of Cardinal Logue to release all prisoners from jails or internment camps before Christmas or formally to try those guilty of serious offenses, the list of recent releases reveals a wholesale clearance of prisons.

Between Dec. 1 and Christmas, of the 5,000 odd prisoners about 2,500 were freed. The total of those still detained on Christmas Day was 1,866. Only five members of the Dail Eireann remain in confinement. They are Eamon de Valera, Austin Stack, Ernest O'Malley, T. Kilroy and Bernard Mellowes.

The Government has no intention of putting any of these men on trial, it is said, but will hold them under the provisions of the Public Safety act, as their offenses apparently do not differ from those of other persons released. It is thought probable the turning loose of all prisoners who were arrested for political acts will follow soon.

Should the members of the Dail be released only ordinary criminals, who injected themselves into the campaign for motives of gain, will be held in custody.

The allocution, in which the Pope referred with satisfaction to the news of a speedy settlement of the Irish situation, was not taken here to point to any arrangements made between the Free State Government and the Republicans, but to a belief that armed strife had definitely ended and that peace had become permanent.

This view is said to have been confirmed by the Italian text of the allocution reaching Dublin. The Republicans made clear in a formal letter to the Vatican their ignorance of any approach of the Government looking to a settlement of the situation. Their argument that the Pope's felicitous references were unwarranted is said to have been based mainly on the continued detention of thousands of prisoners without trial and who were under no charges. The release of many of these prisoners since that time is considered to have diminished the force of this argument.

SHAW MAY SUCCEED CURZON

Former Cotton Mill Worker Would Be Candidate in Labor Ministry.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Should the Labor Party be called upon to form a Government, one of the most likely candidates for the post of Minister of Foreign Affairs would be Tom Shaw, a Socialist who started working in a coton mill at the age of 10. After ten years he became a trade union official. During the war he was Director of National Services in the West Midland district of England.

As Secretary of Labor and Socialist International, Shaw has taken part in many international conferences, both industrial and political. He was a member of the recent Socialist delegation to the Ruhr.

Shaw, who is 51 years old, is described by his friends as a trade unionist of the old school and an opponent of direct action. He visited Russia as a member of the Labor Party delegation two years ago and returned disliking Bolshevism. Shaw has been secretary of the International Textile Workers' Union.

FRENCH DEBT NOW 400 BILLION FRANCS

National Treasury Ends Year With Burden 20,000,000,000 Francs Above Dec. 31, 1922.

HALF BUDGET FOR INTEREST

National Treasury's Condition Is in Marked Contrast With Trade Prosperity.

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—The French people are ending a year of extraordinary industrial and commercial prosperity. French national finances, on the other hand, are more heavily weighed down than at any time in the history of the Third French Republic.

Private firms and industries in all branches of trade and commerce have been generally thriving, paying large dividends or showing handsome profits. There is no unemployment in France. As a matter of record, labor is scarce, and employers have been obliged to import foreign labor, especially from Poland, Italy and Spain.

The National Treasury, however, finds itself owing at the end of the year 1923 some 20,000,000,000 francs more than on Dec. 31, 1922. The French public debt, which was officially acknowledged to be 380,000,000,000 paper francs on Jan. 1, 1923, has now reached the 400,000,000,000 mark. The increase represents what has been spent in reconstructing and repairing damages in the departments of Northern France ravaged by war.

The French people as a whole are much less concerned about their public finances than foreign observers. Money has come easily to the French Government, the French nation showing an immense power of absorbing national loans. The Ministry of Finance will announce shortly after the new year another loan of 13,000,000,000 authorized by the French Parliament, the proceeds of which will again be poured into Northern France, which has swallowed more than 100,000,000,000 paper francs since the armistice.

The total French public debt is made up of the internal debt amounting to 300,000,000,000 francs and the external debt of 128,000,000,000.

While France has borrowed no money abroad during the year 1923 and the total foreign debt on Dec. 31, 1922, totalled 95,000,000,000 paper francs, the increase is represented by the depreciation of the franc in the exchange market as compared with sterling and the dollar. War loans from Great Britain and the United States make up practically the entire amount of France's foreign debt.

Internal loans amounting to 19,000,000,000 paper francs were floated during 1923. The internal debt on Dec. 31, 1922, was 250,000,000,000 compared with 300,000,000,000 at the end of the present year.

For the first time since the armistice, the French Treasury shows a surplus of revenue over expenses in the ordinary budget for the current year. The final figures as adopted by the Senate are: Revenues, 23,054,000,000; expenditures, 22,151,000,000; a surplus of 896,000,000.

The revenues are made up of taxes, 17,161,662,610; and the profits from state monopolies, domains, and an item of nearly 2,500,000,000 described with the somewhat mysterious label of "exceptional resources."

More than half the expenditures are represented by the interest on the debt amounted to 12,057,378,586. Interest on the consolidated debt being 4,353,242,583, and the interest on treasury and other short term bonds, 6,475,563,042. Interest on smaller loans make up the difference.

France has succeeded in keeping the bank note circulation at about the same figure as in 1922. There has been no inflation. The amount of notes in circulation in France today is below 37,000,000,000.

Senator Berenger, in making the final budget report to the upper house, said: "Your Commission is under no illusion as to the financial situation of the French Treasury. We know how fragile and menaced will be the balance of revenues and expenses which we have struck, as long as the enormous desequilibrium of the so-called 'recoverable budget from Germany' is left to weigh heavily upon our finances."

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HOWARD APPOINTED TO SUCCEED GEDDES

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Esme Howard's personal efficiency or past record in the diplomatic service, but there is ground for protest against the indecent hurry with which the present moribund government has filled by far the most important position in the British diplomatic service. There are good reasons why at this juncture of events our Ambassador in Washington should be a representative Englishman well known on both sides of the Atlantic and with special gifts for strengthening in a public manner as well as by the usual diplomatic methods the new understanding which has grown up recently between the two English-speaking nations.

"Did the Prime Minister give any mature consideration to the appointment, or is his frantic haste due to a touch of Tory panic, which fear of the nomination of Mr. Newbold, the unseated Communist, or some other impossible person by the incoming Government. It is quite likely that in the near future a number of other ambassadorial appointments of great consequence will fall due, and we can only hope that in these cases the new Government will take a longer view than Baldwin seems to have taken and act with more deliberation."

Has Had Long Career.

Howard has had a long career in the diplomatic service, varied by a period of soldiering in South Africa in 1900. His first independent post was that of Consul-General for the Island of Crete, later being appointed Minister in Berne, and then in Stockholm. He went on a special mission to Warsaw in 1919 and was sworn a Privy Councillor the same year. He was promoted to be Ambassador at Madrid in 1919. He married in 1898 Lady Isabella Giustiniani-Bandini and became a Catholic.

The Daily Express, commenting editorially on the arrival of Ambassador Kellogg and the retirement of Ambassador Geddes, says:

"Howard and Kellogg follow men who have wrought well and devotedly in the great cause of Anglo-American friendship. Each succeeds to an office which has been filled by a line of remarkable personalities. Their task, however, is smooth today. The obliteration of the last seeds of disagreement has made for reality of friendship and has taught sane minds on both sides of the Atlantic that the true and lasting hope for peace and civilization throughout the world lies in close amity and co-operation between the British Empire and the United States.

"It is easy to grow impatient with the slow growth of a vast ideal. It is more useful and more sensible to be astonished at the extent to which the ideal has been already realized. A man need not be old to remember talk of a possible war between the two countries. The grotesque absurdity of any such talk in any possible circumstances today is the proof of the most significant progress in human history. The Atlantic is bridged by sympathy and the human voice now spans it. This new miracle of wireless by which Pittsburgh can talk clearly to London is certainly not the least of the pillars on which the understanding is based."

Threatened With Blindness.

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—"It is not because my eyes have failed me that I am resigning the British Ambassadorship at Washington, but because physicians have informed me emphatically that if my eyes are again subjected to the intense strain which is unavoidable in carrying out diplomatic work that I may lose the use of them completely and permanently," Sir Auckland Geddes informed The Associated Press correspondent today at the home of a relative in Wimbledon, where he has spent most of his time since his arrival from the United States.

However, the doctors' warning has not altered Sir Auckland's plan for returning to America by the Majestic Wednesday. Sir Auckland will spend about a month in Washington after which he will return to England. His Government service is at an end and he will take a long rest. His future plans depend entirely upon his health.

The Ambassador's opinion is that there is no need for him to return to America so far as strict official duties are concerned, for there are no important problems between Great Britain and the United States to be settled. But he does not want to quit his post, which has been such a pleasurable duty, without saying personal farewells to American officials.

When Sir Auckland decided only recently that it would be impossible to continue as Ambassador at Washington he informed the Foreign Office of his desire to resign, but he told Lord Curzon that he wanted to spend a short time in Washington. Therefore, it was arranged that his resignation should become effective a few days after he leaves England, but, according to diplomatic custom, he will have the official status of an Ambassador until he leaves the embassy for his homeward trip.

The present Ambassador is not well acquainted with his successor, but is certain that Sir Esme Howard's long experience, training and varied interests in life will bring him the same warm reception from the American people that Geddes himself received.

There are all sorts of rumors and reports in political circles as to the reason for the appointment of Sir Auckland's successor immediately after the announcement of his resignation. Some of the Labor leaders adopt an attitude of indignation at the step, which they say was taken to forestall a possible Laborite Ambassador to the United States. It is pointed out that previously the Washington post was left open for months without a chief, and that in view of the unsettled political situation here Lord Curzon should have delayed naming a new Ambassador, inasmuch as his Government is generally considered doomed.

What is considered a saner view is that although Lord Curzon has seized upon what may be his last opportunity to do a good turn for the cause of the professional diplomats, it will not make much difference to Ramsay Macdonald, who, granting that he is asked to form a Government, will have his hands full with the domestic and the European situation, without inaugurating immediate changes in the established diplomatic service.

Sir Auckland himself declined to comment about the appointment of his successor or the political situation.

Howard Popular in Madrid.

MADRID, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—The naming of Sir Esme Howard to succeed Sir Auckland Geddes as Ambassador at Washington came as a surprise to Madrid, although rumors of his approaching promotion have been current for some time.

Sir Esme is one of the most popular among the diplomatic representatives in Spain, where he is regarded as extremely able. Despite the fact that he is of the most aristocratic stock he is one of the most democratic of men, while Lady Howard, who belongs to one of the noblest Italian families, is the friend of all the members of the British and American colonies.

Sir Esme Howard has been stationed in many parts of the world during his long diplomatic career, and is an accomplished linguist. In the Boer War he joined the yeomanry as an ordinary trooper, later being transferred to the Rhodesian Light Horse, a typical roughriding outfit. On another occasion he left his career to engage in commerce, but soon returned to diplomacy. He has been in Madrid for a little more than three years, where he conducted the difficult negotiation of a commercial treaty.

He is an ardent golfer, making a good showing on the links, while often during the Winter snows he enjoys skiing with one or more of his five sons. His eldest son, who is just leaving Oxford, will enter the diplomatic service.

Helped to Keep Sweden Neutral.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Sir Esme Howard became British Minister to Sweden in 1913, succeeding Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, who was transferred to the United States. Before the war Sir Esme and Lady Howard were leaders in Stockholm society, Sir Esme having given the legation a new home in a beautiful artistic building in the Djurgarden, where Lady Howard presided over brilliant soirées, she being keenly interested in music and art. Their close friendship with Crown Princess Margaret gave them an established position of influence.

The advent of the war put a stop to this brilliant society life, and, in contrast with the Ministers of the central powers, the British diplomatic representative was rarely seen, though his legation served frequently as a meeting place for the discussions of the Entente Ministers, and his intimate knowledge of Swedish and general European affair gave him the leadership and impressed the Foreign Office with his capable diplomatic attainments combined with a charming personality.

When in 1917 and 1918 strong efforts were made by both belligerents to force Sweden into the war, it is believed to have been the influence of Sir Esme Howard, effectively seconded by the American Minister, Ira Nelson Morris, which induced Sweden to maintain neutrality. He left Stockholm in November, 1919, to become Ambassador at Madrid.

KELLOGG IN LONDON SEES BETTER YEAR

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the Mayor offered Mr. Kellogg a warm welcome on behalf of the citizens of Plymouth. The town, he was able to point out, had a long tradition of association with America. He referred to the American airmen after their great flight across the Atlantic, to the fact that American ships made Plymouth their headquarters during the war and that American chasers, which rendered such service during submarine campaigns, were centred on the port. In conclusion, he said he hoped the happy relations which long had existed between Great Britain and the United States would be maintained.

Ambassador Replies to Greetings.

The Ambassador in reply expressed pleasure at the generous welcome accorded him and his satisfaction that he had landed in the ancient and historic town of Plymouth.

"Its history, I might say," Mr. Kellogg continued, "is the history of the British Empire. I realise the close tie between Plymouth and my country. It was from this place that many expeditions went forth through uncharted seas to settle in what was the new world. It was from this town that the Armada was nearly destroyed and driven to the Hebridian fogs. The name of Plymouth is connected with my country by historic links, for from it came the hardy women and men who established Plymouth Colony, the earliest in New England, which has been so potent a factor in building up the American republic, in shaping its destiny and establishing its institutions. I remember well the honor paid by the town to Mr. Page, our great Ambassador, an act in which all American people took pride. I assure you it is a great pleasure to me to make Plymouth my landing place, and I hope with you that the relations between our two nations will become ever closer and closer.

In a short statement to the journalists present Mr. Kellogg said:

"I am pleased to be in England again after an interval of nearly three years and look forward to renewing old acquaintances. I know I shall enjoy it and that I shall be happy here. I hope I may be able to maintain the high standard set by the many distinguished men who have preceded me.

"It is an interesting time to be in Europe, but a very critical time in the world's affairs. The economic and political chaos existing in many parts of the world calls for the most tolerant and broadminded statesmanship, especially among the great powers.

"I hope and believe that 1924 will be brighter than 1923 as the world gradually struggles back from the great conflict. I cannot of course discuss international affairs or domestic policy, but I believe Anglo-American relations will grow more and more friendly as time goes on. I shall do my best toward that end."

Ambassador Kellogg, with Mrs. Kellogg, then proceeded by motor car to visit Admiral Sir Richard Phillimore at his official residence. He returned an hour later, and at 10:15 o'clock left for London.

Kellogg Cheerful in London Fog.

LONDON, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Frank B. Kellogg and Mrs. Kellogg who arrived in London today, saw little of the city, as great clouds of fog hung over it. At noon the fog was so dense that it completely shut off the sunlight. Automobiles were running with headlights aglow and gas lights along the streets were burning. A cold drizzle added to the cheerlessness.

The sky was cleared somewhat, however, when Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg arrived this afternoon at Paddington station. Mr. Kellogg did what he could to add a ray of sunshine and hope to the dreary surroundings by telling the newspapermen who greeted him that he believed the year 1924 would be brighter than 1923, because the world gradually was recovering from the effects of the great war.

Mr. Kellogg will have a week of rest and time to get acquainted with the Embassy before King George and Queen Mary return from the Christmas holidays at Sandringham. The Ambassador then will be received by the King. Afterward he will be the recipient of a round of dinners, receptions and entertainments.

Until the arrival of George Harvey as Ambassador it had been the custom of newly chosen Ambassadors to spend most of their first year in being entertained by envoys who long had been in London. Mr. Harvey, however, started the system of returning dinner for dinner, and it is expected that Mr. Kellogg will adopt a similar system.

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'THE CHRIST MYTH' DR. GUTHRIE'S TEXT

Oldest and Most Beautiful of All Fables, Says Rector, Is That of Osiris.

LISTS OTHER "FANTASIES"

Includes Magna Carta as Charter of Liberties and Deeds of Roosevelt at San Juan.

Reference to the story of Jesus as the "Christ myth," which interested him as a historian but not as a minister, was made by the Rev. Dr. William Norman Guthrie, rector of the Church of St. Mark's-in-the-Bouwerie, in a sermon there yesterday afternoon. Dr. Guthrie, who is still to make his final reply to Bishop William T. Manning after being summoned in an inquiry concerning the nature of the services held at St. Marks, added that he considered the story of Osiris the oldest and most beautiful myth he knew.

In his morning sermon, Dr. Guthrie declared that death from boredom would be the fate of the Christian religion unless revived by injections of paganism to keep it apace with modern progress. He expressed belief that Christianity was and would continue to be the religion of the world, but asserted that it must keep up with the times to maintain its position.

"It is generally supposed that we have lost our mythopiac faculty, that is, our power to develop unconsciously some spiritual revelation," Dr. Guthrie said. "While this faculty has not been entirely lost, it is practically atrophied.

"The test of a myth is its reality. To say that a myth is true means that it truly conveys its spiritual reality. A string dropped in a saturate solution will cause crystals to gather and cling to it. But the quality of these crystals cannot be judged by the fact that the string happens to be of cotton or of wool. It is the crystals that count, not the string.

"This is exactly what is at the bottom of the whole Modernist-Fundamentlist debate. You must not be too harsh on the Fundamentalists. After awhile you won't be able to find even one specimen for a musuem.

"As a historian I am very much interested in this Christ myth concerning Jesus, but as a minister I'm not. The oldest and the most beautiful myth I know is that of Osiris. It took the people of Egypt 5,000 years to shape it. The myth underwent all sorts of plastic changes before it was finally finished, but so holy and so beautiful did it become that it passed bodily into the Christian religion."

Dr. Guthrie then went on to talk of other great myths, that of the Delian Apollo, of Buddha, of Zarathustra and of Heracles. "If you want to make Epictetus a Christian writer, he said, "all you have to do is to substitute the name Jesus for Heracles. I once tried a similar experiment.

Substitutes Vishnu for Jesus.

"I was holding meditation in the church for a group of people of more than the usual spiritual intelligence. I read to them some hymns of Vishnu, substituting the name of Jesus. At the end of fifteen minutes I asked if anyone knew where the text of the meditations had come from. When I told them I had been reading the hymns of Vishnu, they did not know what to make of it.

"Without the historic sense we are in a great quandary. We are told that the Magna Charta was a charter of liberties. It wasn't; it was a selfish effort of the barons to hog the power of the king and to squeeze the people. But we were very fortunate that we got it as after events proved.

"We are told that Lincoln gave his life to abolish slavery. He didn't. Lincoln shed bitter tears when he signed the emancipation measure. We are told that the Constitution was started to give us liberty. It wasn't. It was started to revoke our liberty.

"We hear of the great work of Roosevelt at San Juan Hill. If it were not for San Juan Hill we would not have had Roosevelt as President. You can thank God for the yarn. It made a President and he was very useful.

"The actual experience on a physical plane is of no moment in these matters. We can't stop the curious faculty man has of shaping things into the form he wants them. It makes poetry, politics and religion and I don't want to see it stopped.

"Why then the Christ myth about Jesus? Why put it in a different category? Let us worship the reality and let history and critical students discuss the rest. But I will not let them disturb my religion. This is only the old controversy of the days of Jesus up again.

"The test of truth in the myth is: Do they convey truly a true spiritual insight? If they tell me Hamlet walked in Elsinore I am perfectly satisfied. Who cares whether King Lear is the spook of a dead Irish god captured by Shakespeare and made to do good service?

"I consider my sermon outrageously illbred. The only excuse is that it has been forced on me. Only when I have been called dishonest have I resorted to this method of expressing myself. I have a right to say who is dishonest. Not on behalf of myself, for I'll be dead in a few years and what will it all matter? But what does matter is the evolution of the Christian religion, its control of our country and its duty to see that the proletariat doesn't run amuck."

Dr. Guthrie asserted that the Christian faith must be more than empty forms of ceremony and that it was necessary to play on the physiological senses of the people to bring home to them the purely psychical in Christianity. "Therefore," he continued, "it is only common sense to use rituals in the nature of what I call paganism because I have not another word for it.

"A people that cannot worship through its body cannot worship at all. That religion that does not permit this is petty and, as it hasn't much body, it hasn't much mind. The trouble is that old-fashioned religion really is boring. That's what the matter with it. It bores, and boredom is worse than murder. It kills as effectively.

"The truth is that you're really in love with real religion, only you have never recognized it when presented in the ordinary way in church because it is not brought home to you. Some may recognize it individually in a camp, while fishing, in the trenches, in love, in the workshop, anywhere, but it's no use unless you can get it in a group.

Lack a Social Religion.

"You lack a social religion. You have to come into church and meet God. You need group religion. If you have only an individual religion you have only your own vanity."

"What the world wants is a common spiritual intercourse of the largest group obtainable, a religion for all sorts and conditions of men. We know that religion began in the group. No genius discovered it. Geniuses are individually born from time to time and focus the group thought in such a manner that it is brought home to ever increasing groups.

"Jesus never taught anything that had not been taught before. He, true, gave what had been taught before its bouquet; brought it home in sweetness and truth; as none other ever did. "Pythagoras never taught anything new. Buddha Epictetus never taught anything new. They all focalized the teachings of other times and set time on fire.

Dr. Guthrie read the statement issued by the vestry and himself on Saturday, explaining their position and declaring that the services at St. Mark's had been misunderstood and misinterpreted. He did not refer directly to the controversy in the Protestant Episcopal Church, but indicated his sentiments when, in announcing a service on Jan. 6 in honor of Joan of Arc, he said:

"We don't burn these days, but we come as near to it as we can."

Dr. Guthrie said that he understood that the services at St. Mark's had shocked those who believed that any change was wrong and that he considered the objections of old-fashioned persons natural.

"But if you don't shock your grandmother you will lose the love of your grandson," he added. "It is perfectly natural that my grandmother should not like what I say, but she will go on loving me just the same. But my grandson will detest me for life if I do not equip him for life with thought and mind that can cope with the conditions of his time."

CHRIST IS ALWAYS NEAR, SAYS BISHOP

Some Seek One As Dead When the Living Presence Is Here, Dr. Slattery Asserts.

The Rt. Rev. Charles Lewis Slattery, Coadjutor Bishop of Massachusetts, yesterday morning preached in Grace Episcopal Church, Broadway and Tenth Street, where for twelve years he was rector. His subject was "Where Is Christ?", and his text was from John xx:13: "They say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him."

"Mary was so intent upon finding the dead Christ that she did not recognize the living Christ," said Bishop Slattery. "I take this solemn incident in the Gospel story this morning and ask you to apply it to your own search for the Master. For a good many of us, I am quite sure, the quest of Him is as of one who is dead.

"Certain time-honored associations concerning Him are disturbed. And we cry out that some enemy has taken the dead Master far away from us. Meanwhile, if we had eyes to see and ears to hear we should know that the radiant living Lord is so close that our trembling fingers might touch Him. And sometimes I fear we go away, still weeping, and never know how inestimable has been our privilege.

"I yield to no one in my respect for Christian theology. I have spent a large part of my life seeking its help, and I hope to keep on seeking its help. I yield to no one in my respect for what today we call the historical method, by which we try to discover by careful scrutiny just what the most ancient documents of Christianity really reveal when they are read in the light of their own time and with all possible critical apparatus.

"I hope to keep an open mind to this truth-discovering method. But I know that systems of theology and a keenness to uncover the exact history of the past have a very dangerous power over certain minds. They sometimes put Christ in a tomb, seal that tomb, and proclaim Him forever to be what their systems and discoveries have found Him. Some daring spirit pries open the tomb, and Christ is not there. They who buried Christ are aghast. They believe that all is lost. They have been trying to find not Him, but only such a one as they think He ought to be.

"From time to time, men eager to protect Christ, denounce their neighbors as men outside His fellowship. They bring up their measures and rules and tests, and threaten to cast out those of defective faith. I wonder if He is not waiting on the edge of the mob to receive the man who is cast out, exactly as He waited one day 2,000 years ago to receive a man cast out by His complacent countrymen. Only the other day I read such a denunciation. I searched the document had in it not one word of love. Some way I felt that Christ was not there.

"If you desire really to find Christ, you must love. And you must be patient with all else. You know how in Galilee He passed by excellent and correct lives and became friends with loving hearts. You may dare to do anything rather than forget the place of love in the gospel of Christ.

"Dear friends of Grace Church, may you enter the new year conscious that beside you is the loving and mysterious presence of the living Christ."

Dr. Slattery was accompanied to the church by his bride, who was Miss Sarah Lawrence of Boston. She is a daughter of the Rt. Rev. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts. It was their first visit to Grace Church together.

CHURCH TRUCE ENDS, DEBATE REOPENED

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as expressed in the Christian creed.

"Miracles do not clash with science. The universe is governed by certain laws. A stone is resting on the ground and a law of nature requires it to remain there. A boy picks it up and throws it at a cat. That is one of the smaller kind of miracles. The stone has been lifted out of the natural law that kept it resting on the ground by the exercise of an intelligence, that of the boy. But that intelligence is not outside the universe but a part of it. Id the greater kind of miracle, or a miracle, as the word is used, the intelligence is that of God. But God is not outside the universe but a part of it. A scientist is just as much obliged to accept the miraculous as we are, unless he is an atheist.

"We do not hold that the Bible is a book that was dictated by God," Dr. Barry said. "In the Book of Judges, that part in which we read that the sun 'stood still' is a poem. Most probably the sun didn't stand still. The story of the whale swallowing Jonah is a polemical tract, a clever skit.

"The assertion that we are Fundamentalists is not true. We use the Bible as a guide from which we obtain certain facts for teaching. The present conflict is the age-old one between those who respect authority and those who do not. Cain was a Modernist, Abel a Conservative.

English and American Liberals.

"The present phase grew out of German Biblical criticism. It first appeared in the Roman Church, where a group evolved the theory that if you failed to believe the doctrine of the Church you didn't have to get out, but could remain and stir up all the trouble you could. The movement spread to France and England and then to America.

"The American Modernist is very careful not to say what he means. In fact, he doesn't know what he does mean and until he stands up and says just what he does mean, I shall have nothing to say to him. The English Modernist is specific. He does not hesitate to say what he believes. So in referring to the Modernists, I have taken what English Modernists have said as a basis. Though individual American Modernists may say my remarks do not apply to them, I believe the expression of the English Modernists indicate the trend of the Modernist movement.

"The Modernist wants to stand at the altar and say mass in language saying that it was instituted by Jesus Christ, without believing it and intimating that the perpetuation of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ was an ecclesiastical invention.

"He wants to recite the Creeds and the service, which imply the deity of Jesus Christ, and then deny it. No doubt there are persons who call themselves Modernists who believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, but there is a large body of Modernists who deny the deity of Jesus Christ and substitute something they call his 'divinity.' They wish to substitute that he was 'acquainted with God' or 'knew more about God than any one else,' and similar phrases, but they make no difficulty about participating in a service giving him divine honor.

"There are many Modernists who assert that Christ was a human being, and there are some who actually say that he was a sinner. I don't attribute such belief to any in the church, but this has actually been written by English Modernists.

"The controversy is the age-long conflict between individualism and authority, between Protestant and Catholic. Let us hope that it will come to a showdown. Let us hope that the Bishops will follow their pastoral letter by the enforcement of discipline. If they can't enforce discipline, the church faces a serious situation."

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HOPES FOR DELAY OF DRIVE

Says Bishops Who Signed Pastoral Letter Were a Minority of the Whole.

The Rev. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant, preaching at the Church of the Ascension yesterday, challenged the authority of the Bishops who sent out the recent pastoral letter, condemning the Modernist movement in the Church and reiterating the creed. "For sixty-three Bishops to send out a pastoral letter as though they had the backing of the whole House of Bishops is just as though the Tories in the present British Parliament sent out a pronunciamento representing Parliament," he said.

"Here were sixty-three Bishops out of 145 and the Tories would be 250 out of 600. So, if the Tories sent out any such thing it would be five-twelfths trying to represent seven-twelfths. In this letter of the Bishops it is three-sevenths trying to represent four-sevenths, which, of course, they don't do.

"And if they did do it, it would be of no effect in the Church unless it also contained the conclusions of the General Conference of the clergy and laity. There have to be four laymen and four clergymen from every diocese in this General Conference. If such a body of persons, who may be presumed to be modern and progressive men, turn their faces and backs on modern ideas, perhaps they can do it, but, if such should be the case the Episcopal Church would not be placed in such a position that many men would desire to be connected with it.

"It seems to me that the Cathedral can wait to be built to better advantage than it could be before a matter like this is concluded. What we want in the Cathedral is a place of worship for all aspiring spirits, which puts no bar of thought or fact across the door. What a nice place that would be.

"I claim a clergyman steps into a pulpit just as free as a professor of geology in a great university steps into his classroom. The clergymen I know are an unusual, educated and intelligent body of men. If they are given absolute freedom of thought and speech in public you would find ten times the power radiating from them.

Defines Broad Churchmen.

"Then remember what a very peculiar position such a meeting as that you had at the Cathedral, when so many Presbyterians and other denominations were present, places the ministers of those denominations in. Because High Churchmen do not believe that the orders of those clergymen are valid. They regard them merely as well-disposed laymen; rather philanthropic-minded laymen. On the other hand, these high churchmen are continually making overtures to Rome, unofficially. I don't know whether it is done officially even in the English Church. Even the other day there was an unofficial meeting of the Archbishop of Canterbury and a Roman Catholic Cardinal.

"It is done all the time, by the so-called Anglo-Catholics in the English Church and the sympathetic High Churchmen in our church. This yields nothing except an occasional insult or slap in the face from Rome. So union in that direction, so far as I can see, is impossible.

"Now if you open your Encyclopaedia Britannica and see the definition of a broad churchman, you will see that it says the broad churchman believes the orders of these other denominations are valid. It should be the big function of broad churchmen to come into economic union with other bodies of whom they think so highly. A pastor of a large church in New England said the Congregationalists were eager to unite with the Episcopalians but could not unite under the high churchmen. Therefore, if the high churchmen cannot unite with the Romanists, and if the Congregationalists want to unite with the Episcopalians and won't under the high churchmen, then the high church control of the Episcopal Church is limiting very much its power of assimilation and union with other Episcopal bodies."

Dr. Grant said that the crux of the present controversy was that the Modernists made certain demands. "They demand a cessation of encroachment of authority on the part of the Bishops," he said, "in the first place, as we see in the recent pastoral letter, by defining belief, and in the second place by their methods of administration. They also demand that the Bible be put where it belongs in Protestantism, before the Creeds. Instead of the Creed being the first thing in religious information, the Bible should be the first.

"Then these progressives demand that modern knowledge of all kinds, but especially about the Bible, be used to interpret the Bible. That seems sensible. Then they demand that Protestantism stand for private interpretation. That is the whole point. Just as Joan of Arc held that God was talking to her through St. Catherine or St. Michael, not in a voice that came to the ear but which spoke to the imagination or mind. Then these progressives say that the articles in the Creed that offend modern scientific and biblical knowledge render it necessary, perhaps, to omit the Creed from the ritual of the Church. I happen to know that every important movement in the Church held that with reference to the Virgin Birth and bodily resurrection."

Dr. Grant said he hoped the discussion would be broadened so that the issue would not be confused by the varying expressions of belief concerning the Virgin Birth and become a metaphysical discussion. "The progressive," he said, "is trying to substitute realities for shadowy doctrines, trying to substitute today for two thousand years ago, trying to substitute your own natural instincts and longings for some dry-as-dust pronunciamento of the past and trying to be vital, real and honest, an improvement in life as he finds it today."

QUESTIONS BISHOPS' STAND.

Dr. Luke White Preaches in Pulpit of Dr. Leighton Parks.

In his sermon yesterday morning at St. Bartholomew's Church, Park Avenue and Fiftieth Street, the Rev. Dr. Luke White, pastor of St. Luke's Episcopal Church of Montclair, N. J., made an appeal for less controversy and more conferences as a means of settling dogmatic disputes within the Church.

Dr. White spoke on "Why Do People Go to Church?" "Religion," he said, "is our relationship to reality. The primary function of the Church is to convert men to religion. By convert I mean to turn men into the direction of and to bring them in contact with reality.

"It seems to me that down through all human experience have come two versions of this Tree of Life. One is that it is such a precious thing we must never let it out where the hoipoi can come in contact with it, else it might be changed. So it is put behind the high altar in an atmosphere laden with incense where priests stand day by day and worship it. The second is that it is regarded as a most precious thing to be carried out into the open where there is opportunity for development and growth.

"And as I read history I see the constant controversy that has been going on all through the centuries. How strange it seems that there should be controversy, and yet today we are in the throes of a grave ecclesiastical controversy.

"A member of my parish recently received a letter from a well-known Bishop saying that a man could not call himself a Christian who does not accept the doctrines of the virgin birth and the physical resurrection. The Bishop may be right. But I wonder how many of us here this morning, capable of using our intellects, could stand that test.

"In my ordination vows I said I would teach nothing contrary to the doctrines of the Bible. I find nothing to indicate there, though, the acceptance of ecclesiastical dogma.

"How strange it is that we who engage in controversy haven't a sense of humor. Why is it that we can't realize that we are just creatures groping after reality? Thank God that during these holy days of Christmas time we are stepping out of controversy into conference."

DR. POTTER PREDICTS A GREATER RELIGION

Heaven and Hell, Magical Jesus and Infallible Bible Are Bogeys, Says Unitarian.

Establishment of a new and greater religion as the result of the present controversy between liberals and conservatives was predicted yesterday by the Rev. Charles Francis Potter in a sermon at the West Side Unitarian Church. He said that the United States was passing form an era of evasion and truth-dodging to one of truth-seeking. Referring to the recent conference of Bishops, clergymen and laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church here, he said it was idle for any group of Bishops and leading churchmen to think that they could settle the present theological discussion by agreeing to stop discussion.

Dr. Potter declared that "flapperism" was a natural reaction against "fundamentalism" and the protest of the young people of the country against the hypocrisy of their parents.

"The young folks have been fed on fairy tales by their parents," he said. "Flapperism is the reaction of their insulted intelligences. It is a wholesome sign that Santa Claus, the stork, the devil, hell, Heaven, the magical Jesus, the infallible Bible and other attempts to dodge the truth have been relegated to the long limbo of bogeyland and superstition by the fearless fact-facers of today. We are about to build a new and greater religion."

In an interview after his sermon Dr. Potter said that the whole system of Christian doctrine was under fire. "The virgin birth is the salient of the fortress," he said. "If that goes, the whole structure of Calvinistic theology goes with it, and Protestanism must construct itself along new and saner lines. This is a revolution of, by and for the thinking common people of America.

"The paradox of the present is that the man on the street who hates the word 'theology' is keenly interested in debates on religion. We cannot get hall large enough to accommodate the people who want to hear the next one.

"The present controversy has passed out of the jurisdiction of the Bishops. Open platform discussion of the great doctrines of religion will be the twentieth century method. If Christianity cannot stand the limelight of the public forum it needs must go and make room for a religion of truth. The pious parson, standing three feet above contradiction, and the busy Bishop, who promptly suppresses or arbitrates heresy as merely an annoying something which prevents the wheels of the church machinery from going around smoothly, are anachronisms now."

Dr. Potter announced that Jan. 17 had been selected tentatively as the date for his second debate with Dr. John Roach Straton, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, on the subject, "Resolved, That Earth and Man Came by Evolution." He said that the subject originally suggested was "Resolved, That God, Earth and Man Came by Evolution," but was changed at the request of Dr. Straton.

Coolidge Appoints a Chaplain.

President Coolidge has just appointed the Rev. Dr. William Carter of Brooklyn as chaplain of the Officers' Reserve Corps, with the rank of Major. Dr. Carter is pastor of the Throop Avenue Presbyterian Church, at Macon Street. He was pastor for several years of the Madison Avenue Reformed Church, at Fifty-seventh Street, Manhattan.

MUST OBEY CHURCH, SAYS MGR. HAYES

Archbishop Sets Forth Catholic Doctrinal Allegiance to Constituted Authority.

'DOES NOT ENSLAVE WILLS'

"Until the End of Time," He Declares, "No Essential Doctrine of Christ Can Be Changed."

Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes, preaching yesterday at St. Patrick's Cathedral on "The Duty of Obedience to Properly Constituted Authority," set forth the attitude of the Roman Catholic Church toward the teachings concerning which the Protestant Episcopal Church is in controversy. "Thank God," he said, "our Catholic Church is such that it is not the opinion of the preacher; it is the teaching of Christ Himself. It is always the same truth, the same sacramental system until the end of time."

In his sermon the Archbishop said:

"The picture presented in the gospel for the day, which I have just read, furnishes to my mind food for thought, especially at this present hour. I would like to call your attention to the remarkable obedience of Christ Himself. And yet how little we know of that word obedience today. Obedience seems to have belonged to the past. Obedience is going very fast. Consequently lawful authority is suffering.

"There should be obedience in the family. Christ became subject to His parents. He did what they told him although He was their very God. Christ was obedient to the synagogue. He met all the laws of the synagogue because it represented lawful authority. Christ was obedient to death, 'even the death of the cross.' So we have this marvelous example of obedience on the part of the Lord Himself. And how necessary it is for us all to learn that lesson today and to practice it in our daily lives.

Source of Authority.

"There are such wrong notions of what authority is. All authority which is lawful comes from God. St. Paul tells us there is no power except from God. The sanction of that human authority which is lawfully exercised is the sanction of God Himself.

"Remember that we are not enslaving our intellects or wills when we simply obey constituted authority. Every righteous man when exercising authority does it for service. The man in authority is the slave or servant of those whom he is appointed to rule. So a minister of God is a servant of God.

After discussing the duty of obedience to the State, Archbishop Hayes took up the duty of obedience to the Church. He said that because today so many are crying out for "freedom of thought" in theology, that fact does not change things.

"So we have to be very careful," he continued. "That we do not attach too much importance to our own viewpoints. Men ought to have the right to discuss and explain themselves, but that is not, therefore, final authority.

"I remember being impressed very much a few years ago during the war, when it was my duty to visit some of our camps. We were in Mobile Bay and a dense fog came up. The pilot had to watch a small light to guide his boat, and then to pick up the next light. It made no difference what I thought about the situation. We had to come up against hard facts. So all through our life we are accepting authority and acting accordingly.

"We have to give our obedience to ecclesiastical authority. If we do not consent to be governed by it, we are excommunicated by it. The Church is the body of Christ. He is the head and we are the members. He is the vine and we are the branches. The head controls the body. This hand of mine must obey my brain. If my brain is working, there is no choice. We cannot remain with the living church if we are dead through disobedience and sin. The Church does not depend on the Bible or on tradition alone. We have the visible head of the Church in the person of our Holy Father, the Pope.

"Our Lord did not say He would build the Church on the sacred Scriptures or on tradition. He said: 'And I say to thee, thou art Peter; and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.'

"And until the end of time no essential doctrine of Christ can be changed. The world continues for a thousand years there is no doctrine of divine revelation that can be changed. It is our duty to keep it intact, and we will do this to the end of time. So, my dear friends, we have authority in the Church, and that authority must be obeyed."

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CREEDS JOIN TO ASK RELIGIOUS TEACHING

Catholics, Protestants and Jews Appeal for Training of City's Children.

WANT PARENTS TO HELP

Upbuilding of Character Is No Less Necessary Than That of Mind, Says New-Year Greeting.

Leaders in the Roman Catholic and Protestant and Jewish faiths united yesterday in issuing to the citizens of New York of all creeds an appeal that all of New York's children have "the priceless boon of religious education." The appeal was in the form of a "New Year's greeting," and was signed by the Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool, rabbi of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, 99 Central Park West, of the Jewish Education Association, acting for the Jewish group; Mgr. Michael J. Lavelle, rector of St. Patrick's Cathedral, for the Catholic group, and Watson B. Moore, a Methodist layman, who is President of the New York Federation of Churches, for the Protestant group. It is the first time that these three faiths have ever united in a religious enterprise. In making public the appeal, Mgr. Lavelle made the following statement:

"Our Jewish brethren have been giving extraordinary attention recently to the large number of New York's children who seem to be growing up without religious instruction of any kind. They have made strenuous efforts among the people of their own faith to arouse interest upon this subject. Next, they invited co-operation from the Protestants, through the Federation of Churches, and from the Catholics through Archbishop Hayes.

"The federation nominated its President, Watson S. Moore, and the Archbishop designated Mgr. Lavelle to confer with the Jewish representative, the Rev. Dr. D. de Sola Pool, as to ways and means.

"The first result of their coming together is the following public letter issued to the people of New York in the spirit of charity toward all and malice toward none as a New Year's greeting."

The letter is headed "A New Year's Greeting to the Citizens of New York of All Creeds," and it is as follows:

"With the dawn of the New Year churches and synagogues alike look to the future with indomitable faith. What though the annals of 1923 be marred by faults and failures? The birth of the new year inspires us with renewed confidence in the steady forward and onward march of man when he is led by ideals of religion and morality.

"Parents and elders of our city! You have no more urgent, no more sacred responsibility than that of molding our future toward the divine by training the young in the religion and morality of their fathers. You show commendable solicitude in educating their minds. Will you neglect the upbuilding of their characters, their hearts, their souls?

"We who send you this New Year's greeting are united in common humanity and in the love for God, for city and for country. We make this fervent appeal to all our citizens to ennoble our native land and to glorify God by giving to our children the priceless boon of religious education.

"May our Father in Heaven during the coming year unite the hearts of parents and children in their ancestral faiths, and give us all of every creed a resolute determination to purify the lives and to enrich the souls of our young by leading them through spiritual training to a brighter, more beautiful future."

DR. WISE ON THE BIBLE.

It Is Man's Book and Was Made for Man, He Says in Sermon.

Continuation of the conflict between the Fundamentalists and Modernists of Christendom until they "put away their childish belief that man is a fallen being and that He, whom they have accepted as their Savior, came to relieve them of the consequences of the sins of Adam and Eve," was predicted yesterday by the Rev. Dr. Stephen S. Wise in a sermon to the members of the Central and Free Synagogues in Carnegie Hall. Dr. Wise spoke on the subject, "Is the Bible True or False? or Fundamentalism versus Modernism From the Jewish Point of View."

"We Jews have no quarrel with those who claim that some chapters, words or books of the Bible are false, because that is the Jewish position," Dr. Wise said. "We believe that the men who wrote the Bible were merely touched by the spirit of God and were subject to the errors to which all mortals are heir.

"My dear friends, our Christian brothers are placed in a position subject to criticism, because the whole structure of Christian dogma rests on Bible verses. As an example, the discussion over the virgin birth rests on one Hebrew word, 'alma.' The Bible is not God's book, but man's book. The Bible was made for man, not man for the Bible. The higher criticism restores the Bible to the hand of its rightful owner, man.

"We Jews have always believed in a growing, ever-widening revelation. I believe that with the exploration of Bible land, in Palestine, which is now laid open to the spade of the historians and Bible scholars, there will be greater revelations."

DR. STRATON DEFENDS BIBLE

Replies in Sermon to Dr. Potter, Who Won Decision in Recent Debate.

"Nothing but anarchy can result if we tear the Bible to pieces," the Rev. Dr. John Roach Straton said last night in reference to the position of the Modernists in a sermon at Calvary Baptist Church.

"If the Bible is God's word, it must all be God's word and not merely part of it, Dr. Straton said. "The trouble with Modernists is that they know more about the books with skeptical criticism of the Bible than they do about the Bible itself."

Dr. Straton referred at length to his recent debate with the Rev. Charles Francis Potter, minister of the West Side Unitarian Church, in which the decision was against him, and said he did not have sufficient time on that occasion to reply to what he characterized as Dr. Potter's "misinterpretations" of the Bible. He devoted much of his sermon to controverting points made by Dr. Potter in the debate.

VATICAN NOT CONSULTED.

Knows Nothing Officially of Canterbury-Mercier Conversations.

ROME, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—The Vatican declares that it knows nothing about the reported conversations between the Archbishop of Canterbury and Cardinal Mercier for a reunion of the Anglican and Roman Catholic Churches, except what has been published in the newspapers, and that the conversations, if they really occurred, were entirely private, and their real nature is unknown to the Vatican.

The Holy See's viewpoint on the subject of the reunion of the Christian churches is well known. Under Benedict XV. special delegates were sent from America by an organization having this for its object. The Pope was said to be represented at a meeting to consider the question. The Pontiff answered that the Catholic Church desired nothing more than a reunion, but since it was non-Catholics who had separated from the Church it was for them to return to the true fold, where they would be received with open arms.

DR. WORCESTER DEFIES THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS

Boston Clergyman Sees a New Denominational Alignment as Result of Controversy.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Foreseeing a new denominational alignment which "may result in a great blessing to mankind, though not to the Episcopal Church," the Rev. Dr. Elwood Worcester, Rector of Emmanuel Church, today defied the authority of the House of Bishops in matters of doctrine and promulgated a Modernist bill of rights.

"In reading the Bishops' pastoral letter and in commenting on it I am following Bishop Lawrence's advice to his clergy," Dr. Worcester said. "Personally I am incapable of the noble indignation and the exalted moral feeling with which this document inspired Dr. Parks. I thoroughly admire his reprobation of the doubt cast, as he conceived, on his honor and on his right to his position on the Church he has served so well, and I consider he has placed all who agree with him under great obligation by his fearless defence of our position, but the letter does not affect me.

"The Bishops profess to have issued this letter to allay the widespread distress and disturbance of mind among many earnest church people, caused by several recent utterances concerning the creeds—by which, it is to be supposed, they refer chiefly to Bishop Lawrence in all events, his is the most important utterance which has been given to the Church in many years, but they might have anticipated that such a letter as theirs, with its imputations of dishonesty, and its veiled threat of prosecution, would cause far more widespread strife and bitterness. Moreover, all such utterances are to be judged in the light of their history. The Bishops take us into their confidence sufficiently to inform us that they issued their letter in response to an appeal addressed to them to settle the faith of the Church by certain eminent laymen. This in itself bears an unfortunate inference. If these 'eminent laymen' had been working people or humble members of the Church like ourselves, their prayer might have gone unanswered.

"It was the rediscovery of the Bible which made the Protestant Reformation and which, more than any other force, created the spiritual life of the modern world. Already, there are two Bibles, the Bible of the Fundamentalists, which nobody understands, for the reason that without critical insight it is incomprehensible. The other is the Bible of modern science and scholarship and the charter of all social and spiritual progress. No pastoral letter can affect its discoveries nor can any body of men however exalted, close the Bible to the world.

"It would be a mistake to belittle the controversy which has arisen in our Church or to regard it as an isolated phenomenon. The very depth of earnestness proves its importance and it is only one example of the general conflict which is agitating all Protestant Churches.

ATTACKS THE MODERNISTS.

Dr. Haldeman Also Denounces the Catholic Church.

An attack on the Roman Catholic Church as the enemy of the Bible was coupled with a denunciation of the Modernists disputing the Bible as the inspired word of God by the Rev. Dr. I. M. Haldeman in his sermon last night at the First Baptist Church, 2,225 Broadway. The criticism of the Catholic Church came at the end of Dr. Haldeman's discourse when he said:

"If this destruction of the Word of God is permitted to go on, in ten years the word Protestantism will have lost its meaning and the Bible will then be in the sole keeping of the Roman Catholic Church. And if that Church's custody of the Book is what recent treatment of it by the Catholic Church would indicate, God help it. At the last Consistory the Pope ordered the Protestant Bible burned, and a Catholic football team from St. Louis traveling to another city recently destroyed the Gideon Bibles placed in the bedrooms and threw the books out of the windows."

The rest of Dr. Haldeman's sermon was devoted to the Modernists and scientists. "Science," he said, "gets right down to the plastic base of life but cannot tell you why you're here or why you are not a dog or a whale."

Dr. Haldeman called the Modernists "indecent," and said "they uttered the cheapest stuff ever traded off the lips of man.

"When a man takes an oath to uphold a church—I say a church, not the Bible alone—and then violates that oath for the sake of notoriety or pecuniary gain he is guilty of immorality, dishonesty, indecency. His salary is stolen goods. He is a robber."

"What a shameful thing it is for a man to deny this Book and then stand up and preach ethics from it! They are tearing out the foundation of the Bible, and when they do that Protestantism becomes a fraud, for Protestantism means a protest against the Roman Catholic idea that the Church is above the Word.

"Drive the fakers out of the Church. Let the Protestant Church refuse a dollar to the man who does not stand by the Bible. Don't argue with them; keep back the money from them; starve them out. Hit their pocketbook and you will see how quickly opinion will change. Refuse even a dollar to a seminary that turns out such men. Don't let them occupy a pulpit until they stand on the Book from Genesis to Revelation."

SAYS DISPUTE IS GOOD SIGN

Presbyterian Minister Says It Shows Interest in Bible.

Welcoming the controversy between the Fundamentalists and Modernists as increasing the interest in theology, the Rev. Dr. S. Edward Young predicted yesterday in a sermon at the Bedford Presbyterian Church that the dispute would cause a great religious revival.

"What other book besides the Bible, two or three thousand years old, has vitality enough today to start such a discussion?" Dr. Young said. "Don't be in the least disturbed by any of the reports that seem to threaten annihilation of belief in the Gospel. The Old and the New Testaments have come through that sort of testing scores of times and after each ordeal have had a firmer hold upon the multitudes than before.

"It is a pity that men's tempers are so inflammable. But the reason they fire up so quickly on religious matters is because we feel so tremendously, so intensely, on spiritual subjects."

LETTER TO GOD BRINGS 50 FRANCS TO A SWISS

Beggar Writes Thanks, but Warns the Deity Against the Post Office, Fearing Levy for Taxes.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—Having no money, no relatives and no friends from whom he could borrow, a Swiss in the Canton of Thurgovie wrote a begging letter which, for lack of some other address to send it to, he addressed to God.

The Swiss postal authorities at first were at a loss how to deliver it, so they sent it to the governing Council of the Canton.

Touched by the appeal, and perhaps by its humor, five councillors subscribed ten francs each and sent the money to the petitioner.

For two days they lived at peace with themselves in the thought that they had for once played Providence. But at the end of the second day the postman brought a second letter addressed as the first had been. There were thanks in it for the money received, but this was added:

"I felt sure that you would never send a poor man less than 100 francs and the next time please get it delivered some other way than through the post, as the Government is little minded and ought appropriate half of what you send as taxation."

PLATON REPORTED OUSTED BY TIKHON

Soviet Archbishop Here Shows Cablegram Announcing Suspension of the Metropolitan.

ORTHODOX ARE SKEPTICAL

Kedrovsky Accuses Bishop Manning of Meddling in Affairs of Russian Church.

A new move in the struggle for control in this country between the Soviet All Living Church and the Russian Orthodox Church developed yesterday. The contest so far has resulted in the ejection of one Archbishop and the filing of three law suits.

The Rev. Alexander Chechila, secretary to the Soviet Archbishop John F. Kedrovsky, exhibited the following cablegram yesterday purporting to have been sent by the Soviet Metropolitan at Moscow:

Archbishop Kedrovsky, Hartford, Conn.

Patriarch Tikhon suspended Metropolitan Platon.

METROPOLITAN EVDOKIM.

Chechila admitted that the message was the first sign that the Patriarch Tikhon had altered his consistent rôle of supporter of Metropolitan Platon, and also admitted that Metropolitan Evdokim was a friend and member of the same faction as Kedrovsky. The secretary said that no formal move would be attempted until receipt from Russia of documents corroborating the cablegram. A representative of Metropolitan Platon said that no such news had come to them from Russia, and said that the alleged suspension of Platon had "come here in rather roundabout form."

The transfer to the United States of the struggle of two factions to dominate the Russian Orthodox Church took definite form early in November, when Kedrovsky arrived here via Berlin. He appeared at the Russian Cathedral of St. Nicholas, 15 West Ninety-seventh Street, and got into the rectory adjoining. Unable to penetrate through the front door, he came in through the servants' entrance.

He displayed documents said to have been issued to him by the Holy Synod at Moscow, and announced that he had come to take possession and control of the 250 Russian churches, 300 Russian priests and $3,000,000 of property in the Russian dioceses of North America and the Aleutian Islands. Metropolitan Platon was ill in bed at the time. Subordinates talked to Kedrovsky and advised him to take steps through the courts. Finally two policemen from the East 104th Street Station ended the discussion. A spokesman for Metropolitan Platon said:

"There is nothing to prevent Kedrovsky from receiving such cablegram from his friends. Only a few days ago we were in receipt of advices from Patriarch Tikhon and there was no hint of withdrawal of his support from Metropolitan Platon. We have no reason to believe otherwise."

Bishop Manning has been a consistent supporter of Metropolitan Platon in this country, and yesterday Chechila gave out copies of a statement in which Kedrovsky said to pastors of his faction:

"Although heretofore the connection between the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Russian Orthodox Church has been close, it has now become necessary to issue a warning against the schismatic efforts of Bishop Manning, who has seen fit to intermeddle in the affairs of our church and the choice of its officials and to try to promote schism among us by recognizing as the North American Archbishop the unfrocked Platon Rodjesevensky, the supposed representative of ex-Patriarch Tikhon, who, according to recent dispatches in THE NEW YORK TIMES, is seeking union with Rome. The purity of our Orthodox Christianity is attacked."

GOVERNOR CELEBRATES FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY

Greets His Mother by Telephone and Sees a Few Friends at Executive Mansion.

Special to The New York Times.

ALBANY, Dec. 30.—Governor Smith celebrated his fiftieth birthday at the Executive Mansion today. The observance was a quiet one, limited to the members of his family and a few intimate friends who dropped in during the afternoon.

The Governor declared tonight that he never felt better in his life.

"Years do not bother me," he said, "for I keep well by keeping busy."

One of his first acts after he returned from church was to call up his mother, who is in Brooklyn with his sister, Mrs. Mary McGlynn. The Governor and his mother had a long telephone conversation.

The Governor explained that he would very much have liked to have his mother at the mansion, but said she was unable to make the journey to Albany. Mrs. McGlynn, who is two years the Governor's junior, celebrated her birthday anniversary in Brooklyn. She also conversed with the Governor for some time over the telephone.

During the afternoon the Executive entertained a few intimate friends in his library. In the evening he remained at the mansion with the family.

The Governor said that for thirty-five years he had been working all the time and that was one of the reasons why he had such good health. He referred to the time he lived in New York City on Oliver Street and watched the building of the Brooklyn Bridge.

"In those days," he said, "South Street was one of the busiest streets of New York. The packet ships which touched at the ports of South America and other countries constantly, were loading and unloading there. I never felt the call of the sea, however. I guess I must have been destined for public office. Before I had a vote I was a process server for the Commissioner of Jurors.

"I watched the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge, as I lived quite near it. I also saw the New York Tower Building constructed. When I was 30 years old I came to Albany as a member of the Legislature."

"My boy, Al," the Governor of New York State, yesterday received congratulations in the Executive Mansion in Albany on his fiftieth birthday from his mother, Mrs. Katherine Smith of 9 Middagh Street, Brooklyn, by long distance telephone.

After dinner with her daughter, Mrs. John Glynn, and her grandchildren, she put in the call to Albany. She sat in her rocker in the old-fashioned parlor waiting patiently and a happy smile wreathed her face when "My boy, Al's" hearty voice acknowledged her greeting. Newspaper photographers snapped the 70-year-old mother of the executive as she stood at the telephone.

COMIC CARS CROWD PARIS.

Owners Say the Comfort of Balloon Tires Makes Up for Jokes.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The roads in the capital district are now encumbered with numbers of small automobiles, apparently designed by the comic supplement artists. The machines owe their distinctive appearance to the new "comfort cords," as balloon tires are called here.

Owners of these vehicles say they are content to put up with the pleasantries of the unthinking populace in view of the fact that with the new tires it is no longer a frame-wrecking ordeal to drive all day over the bad roads of the region. In addition, there is the added comfort of the tires' shock-absorbing properties, which preserves the chassis and effects a notable economy in repair bills.

DRAFTS NAVAL LIMIT FOR WORLD NATIONS

League's Subcommission Prepares to Extend Washington Conference Principles.

GENEVA, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—The naval subcommission of the League of Nations, in connection with the two proposed conferences to secure world-wide extension of the principles of the Washington naval treaty, has framed a tentative convention laying down the capital ship limitations for the principal powers that did not sign the Washington accord. This draft, which is in the hands of the interested Governments, will serve as a basis of discussion at the meeting of the naval experts of the powers, which the League is trying to convoke in a manner which will insure the presence of Russia.

The experts, in their turn, will pass on the results of their deliberations to the second and more general conference which will be summoned subsequently. Article IV. of Chapter I of the tentative convention declares that the total capital ship replacement tonnage shall not exceed in standard displacement the following for the various countries: Argentina, 81,000; Brazil, 45,000; Chile, 35,000; Denmark, 13,000; Greece, 36,000; the Netherlands, 28,000; Norway 16,000; Spain, 81,000; Sweden, 62,000.

This article is followed by a note, explaining that Article IV. was drafted in strict accordance with the principle of the status quo, and adding:

"Nevertheless, a majority of the members of the naval subcommission felt bound to call the attention of the Council of the League to the resulting inequality between the respective naval forces of the three South American States, Argentina, Brazil and Chile, whereas from a technical and general consideration of the circumstances of these States, they consider they should logically have equivalent naval forces, the total tonnage in capital ships remaining, however, below 80,000."

The official records of the League show that at the outset of the subcommission's deliberations there existed a divergence of views concerning the principles on which the extension of the Washington Treaty to nonsignatory States should be based. The majority, which consisted of the representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan, all of whom signed the Washington document, was of the opinion that in the absence of exact information regarding the special requirements of each of the States it was impossible to find a more practical basis of estimating the replacement tonnage than the status quo of Nov. 12, 1921, which was the basis adopted at Washington.

The minority, namely, the representatives of Brazil and Spain, were of the opinion that the status quo was neither the most important nor the most acceptable basis proposed by the convention. They believed that this principle should be subordinated to the principle of the national security of Brazil. The Spanish expert made personal reservations on the tonnage allocated to Spain.

In the face of this divergence the League attaches great importance to the forthcoming meeting of the experts. In the meantime the League is struggling with the problem of where to hold the conference. Its officials say that the League has nothing to do with the reasons for Russia's refusal to come to Switzerland; they deem this a political matter outside the domain of the League, whose sole object is to secure the presence of Russia, which is considered vital to the success of the conference. Hence the suggestions to convene elsewhere.

The idea of meeting in London has been followed by suggestions of Venice and Rome, and the various Governments are being sounded on this proposal.

Private, but not official, discussions have been held as to whether the United States should be invited to the second General Conference. It is pointed out that the other great powers which signed the Washington treaty will be present because they are members of the League, and the question has arisen as to whether the United States, as the only great naval power, should not be invited in the interest of the conference's success.

SEES DEAL WITH ASQUITH.

London Weekly Dispatch Reports a Move to Block Labor Government.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—The political correspondent of The Weekly Dispatch asserts that as a result of pressure being brought to bear upon him by the moderate section of the Conservatives, Mr. Asquith is seriously considering altering his attitude toward the political impasse, with the outcome that he may get an immediate chance to form a Government upon the convening of Parliament, in which case there will be no Labor Government, at least until after the new elections.

An increasing number of Conservative members of Parliament, says The Dispatch, are lining up behind those leaders who are seeking for some sort of working agreement between the Tories and the Liberals as against the Socialists. These Conservatives recognize that the country is out of patience with the blundering ineptitude of their party leaders and that they are unable to put forward a man who has both ability and actual Government experience to command respect from his followers.

This being the case, Mr. Asquith and his backers have been aligned, by some sort of gentlemen's agreement, with the bulk of the Conservatives, as the only hope of keeping the Socialists out of power.

As a consequence of this development, The Dispatch intimates that when Parliament convenes and Ramsay Macdonald, the Labor leader, moves an amendment to the address from the throne, so worded that it will have to be supported by both the Liberals and Laborites, Mr. Asquith may turn the tables on the latter by moving an amendment declaring that a Socialist Government would not be acceptable to the House of Commons.

In that event Mr. Macdonald, by vote of the majority of the House, would immediately be disposed of as possible Premier, and the King would constitutionally be bound to invite Mr. Asquith to form a Government. Given "adequate support" from the Conservative members, a thing on which he has so far not been counting, Mr. Asquith probably could succeed.

WOOD NAME USED IN OIL.

Activities of a Son of the General Subject of Inquiry in Chicago.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Four oil companies in which Leonard Wood Jr., a son of Major Gen. Leonard Wood, was an officer and stock in which was bought by ex-service men, possibly because of that fact, before they went out of business are under investigation by Assistant State's Attorneys Milton D. Smith and Berthold Cronson. Tonight, after examining many documents supplied by ex-service men, Mr. Smith announced that, regardless of State action Post Office Inspectors would be asked to investigate the activities of the companies.

William F. Pahl of 4,122 Potomac Avenue, who was Battalion Supply Sergeant with the Fifty-third Engineers in France, brought to the State Attorney many letters and telegrams urging the purchase of stock, advertisements in oil papers and other matter.

"They got $550 of the pay I earned in France and saved," said Pahl. "I went into it because of the connection of Leonard Wood Jr. with it. I figured it must be right if he were in it. Also the advertisements I read in Stars and Stripes, the official publication of the A. E. F., inspired my confidence."

Among the companies mentioned in connection with the inquiry are the Craven Oil and Refining Company, the Merit Bond Oil Syndicate and the Breck-Stanco Oil Syndicate. All these had their offices in the same suite, 722 Nell F. Anderson Building, Fort Worth, Texas. Leonard Wood Jr. subsequent to their activities, became President of the Acme Production Corporation. His name was also used in advertising by other concerns.

"Ex-service men from whom Prosecutors Smith and Cronson say they have heard will be called in to tell their stories to the State's Attorney tomorrow.

GOMPERS SEES HOPE ONLY IN THE LEAGUE

He Warns That the Issue Lies Between It and the International Bankers.

OUTLINES PLOT TO KILL IT

Declares It the Only Body Existing, or Seriously Proposed, as a Forum for the Nations.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—In the current issue of The American Federationist, the organ of the American Federation of Labor, Samuel Gompers declares the international issue is between the League of Nations and a League of Financiers, insisting that the League of Nations is "the only approach to democracy among nations and the only international body in existence, or seriously proposed, that serves as a continuous forum for the nations."

"Within four years a great and ominous change has taken place," he says. "The whole atmosphere of international discussion has become clouded. International financial interests no longer operate in the open and their subsidized propaganda covers the entire field of international discussion as with a smoke screen.

"The change began when President Harding, immediately after his election, ceased all reference to his proposed 'Association of Nations.' It was accentuated when Secretary Hughes began to show in his State utterances that he had abandoned his support of the League of Nations with reservations. And, finally, the ideal atmosphere for the intrigue and propaganda and secret diplomacy of financiers was provided when Secretary Hughes's later pronouncements struck at the very foundations of any conceivable association of nations. In his letter of July 19, 1922, he accused the existing League of Nations of being world-governing with super-powers and as showing 'a tendency to force in unknown contingencies'—a position repeatedly reaffirmed and reasserted as late as Nov. 30."

Mr. Gompers says further that the League of Nations is endorsed by organized labor because it serves as a continuous forum and without it "the international bankers are sure to control international relations."

Discussing the praise of Premier Mussolini by Otto H. Kahn, the proposal of Mussolini at about the same time to recognize the Soviets in exchange for certain commercial rights and concessions, which he terms "a cynical deal," Mr. Gompers proceeds:

"International finance is also accurately represented by Warburg and Kahn in the hopes placed in and the moral backing given to the British labor party and the revolutionary Socialist International of which it is a member. The 100 per cent. Socialism of that party in home affairs seems unimportant in view of its international program—ideal from the point of view of these cosmopolitan bankers. It may be thus summarized: An international economic and political conference 'to meet whether France attends or not!' The Soviets and Germany, however, would be especially invited. An international land disarmament conference (including Germany and the Soviets) to be called by England if America refuses! An international debt settlement with or without American settlement! Full recognition of the Soviets! The Soviets and the present régime in Germany to be made members not only of the League of Nations but of its Supreme Council. The denunciation of the Anglo-French entente by disbanding the Ambassadors' Conference. In a word, an aggressive financiers' policy promulgated in the name of internationalism, but really aimed to coerce France, to relegate America to the second rank, and to ignore the League of Nations unless it can be subordinated and used as a tool."

Alluding to the appointment of Americans to the Reparations Commission, Mr. Gompers finds the action proper as an emergency act, but he finds various possibilities in the course pursued.

"As an emergency measure," he says, "the national administration's approval of the appointment of 'private experts' to aid the Reparations Commission acting under the Versailles Treaty is fully justified and could become a momentous step towards a constructive European policy—but only as a partial and an emergency measure. But if it is claimed—and it is widely claimed—that by this policy either the reparations questions or the financial and economic reconstruction of Europe, or the related questions of world peace, can be satisfactorily dealt with, then the measure becomes a menace. Expert investigation is not the main purpose. These men are as much engaged in preliminary negotiations as were Thomas W. Lamont and Bernard Baruch, President Wilson's financial representatives at Versailles, and their conclusions are no more likely to be disavowed by the American Government. The fact that they are labelled 'private experts' and are supposedly not governmentally appointed gives a new and unparalelled opportunity for secret diplomacy.

"A board of this kind may do such valuable preliminary work that its undemocratic and ambiguous character will be forgotten. But that can happen only if its functions and duration are strictly limited."

McCORMICK APPEALS FOR RE-ELECTION

Asks the Voters of Illinois to Return Him to the Senate on His Record.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Medill McCormick issued tonight the formal announcement of his candidacy for re-election. His statement was based on his record in the National Legislature in the last five years.

"My service as a Senator has been intimately associated with the record and the policy of the Republican Party, both in foreign and domestic affairs," says the statement. "My position on the great public questions is a matter of record, and is fresh in the memory of the voters of this State, and it is upon the record that made that I am privileged to submit my candidacy. It is my belief that I have truly represented the prevailing sentiment of my fellow-citizens in the position I have assumed on these public questions.

"As one of the first and most outspoken in opposition to American union with the League of Nations, my position has been upheld by the country in its steadfast refusal to adhere to the covenant of the League.

"I early expressed the opinion that the Treaty of Versailles was politically unwise and economically unsound, and that ultimately it would work to the injury of those who were victorious and also of those who were vanquished in the World War.

"Time and events have proven the truth of that opinion. The revision of certain of the terms of the treaty seems now to be contemplated. Some have been impatient, but time has justified the wisdom of our fundamental foreign policy in refusing to be drawn into the whirlpool of European politics * * *

"My participation in the legislation bringing about the great reduction in Federal taxation, thereby giving further impulse to the economic recovery of the country even when State and local taxation continues to increase, is known to the voters of the State."

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Prof. Goddard, Who Proposed Trip to the Moon, Now Will Test Upper Atmosphere.

EXPECTS A 50-MILE FLIGHT

Science Convention Hears of Early Indian Art—Earthquakes Declared Possible in New York.

Special to The New York Times.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.—Professor R. H. Goddard of Clark University, whose attempt to build a rocket that would make a trip to the moon attracted wide attention several years ago, is still working on plans for a high altitude rocket for the purpose of making scientific records of air conditions fifty miles above the earth, he told physicists attending the science convention here.

Both the Weather Bureau and the Smithsonian Institution at Washington are said to be interested in Professor Goddard's plan, which is now nearing completion. He said he had only one more step to make before he could prepare a model for flight.

Professor Goddard proposes to shoot a rocket into the air at least fifty miles—perhaps more. It will be equipped with very delicate apparatus, which will open and close automatically when the rocket reaches a certain altitude. The closing of the apparatus will lock into a chamber a quantity of the air at that height, and the rocket, in falling to earth, will carry with it the first sample of air man has ever brought down from such a great height in space.

Professor Goddard will examine this specimen in his laboratory and expects to be enabled to supply an answer for the first time in history as to the constitution of the air at such a distance.

According to Professor Goddard's theory, frozen nitrogen may be found at a height of fifty miles from the earth. That there is something there which is not common at points close to the earth is believed to be evidenced by the fact that the aurora borealis and meteorites appear at this height.

In addition to the air trap, Professor Goddard's rocket will carry instruments for measuring pressure, electrical effects and the radiation which occurs at such altitudes, and which is said to be much more powerful even than X-Rays. The rocket will also carry a machine for taking the temperature at certain altitudes and keeping a record of the changes.

The rocket will be fired from the earth at a speed of six miles a second or more. This speed, which is six times faster than the best speed ever attained by a cannon ball, it is estimated would enable the rocket to free itself from the attraction of the earth and keep on traveling for the desired distance.

Professor Goddard intends to propel the rocket with liquid oxygen, which gets energy from evaporation. The rocket will be highly polished and marked so that the experimenters can keep it under observation long enough to calculate its range and course and to estimate its landing place.

Says Earthquakes May Come Here.

What science is doing to minimize loss from earthquakes was told by Dr. T. A. Jagger Jr., who lived on the crater of a volcano at Hawaii for eight years and recently was sent to Tokio by the Department of Agriculture to study the causes and effects of the Japanese earthquake.

According to Dr. Jagger, much of the terrible loss of life in Japan could have been avoided had the proper precautions against earthquakes been taken. He showed photographic slides of the damage done in Japanese cities, illustrating that most of the properly built houses withstood the shock.

The care with which a building had been put up, and not the material with which it was constructed, was chiefly responsible for its ability to remain standing during the disaster, said Dr. Jagger.

Congested population is one of the big factors in causing heavy loss of life in earthquakes, he said. The eleven great disasters of this sort in the last twenty-one years have been progressively more serious because of greater population in the affected areas.

Dr. Jagger, who is in the Government service, urged that more geological observatories be established in various parts of the United States to prepare for earthquake disaster. He said that New York, Philadelphia, Washington and other cities on the Atlantic seaboard were not immune from earthquakes by any means. He pointed out that New York had had earthquakes in the eighteenth century, and it and other Eastern cities should be warned by the precedent of Charleston. He said earthquakes might return to the Pacific Coast and might even shake cities in the Mississippi Valley.

According to Dr. Jagger, conditions in America are especially bad in case earthquakes should come, because of the density of population in certain big cities and because we have more volcanoes than any other country.

Organized city planning was urged by Dr. Jagger as the best means of preparing for the danger. He said all our cities should provide emergency means for turning off electricity and gas without delay, and for getting immediate police and fire aid, so that a hundred fires could be fought at once. The streets should be wide, he said, and parks numerous, so they could be used as places of refuge.

He advocated the continuance of experiments to perfect earthquake-proof buildings with special braces and special foundations. He also suggested compulsory earthquake insurance and other measures.

Experiments with the mercury vapor boiler recently tried out at Hartford, Conn., have been very successful, according to Ernest L. Robinson of the Turbine Department of the General Electric Company. He said this experimental unit "appears to have borne out all the things expected of the invention, both as to increased efficiency and as to cheaper power." There was no question, he said, but that "theoretically the mercury engine is the thing."

Mr. Robinson said he was not prepared to insist on the present utility of the new engine until the experimental one had been operated long enough to test out the theories on which it was built.

Asts-Columbian Chorus Girls.

Dr. J. Walter Fewkes of the Bureau of American Ethnology at Washington, in an illustrated lecture on pottery found in the Mimbres Valley in New Mexico, declared that this region had been inhabited by a highly civilized race of Indians long before Columbus discovered America. According to Dr. Fewkes, interpretation of the designs on this pottery, pictures of which he threw on a screen, various American institutions of the present day—such as poker, dice and chorus girls—originated with the Indians of the Mimbres Valley, or at least where known to them, before Columbus imported European customs into America.

Dr. Fewkes said the Indians whose pottery he had found had lived in complete isolation in their part of New Mexico, and that their mastery of artistic design was remarkable in an untutored race. Paintings on some of the pottery showed figures of three men, with bows stacked up like poker chips, and with black and white squares like dice in front of them. According to Dr. Fewkes, the Indians were gambling.

Other pieces of pottery showed what looked like figures of chorus girls, birds, grasshoppers, turkeys, dancing figures, animals and fish and several others had geometrical designs.

The prediction that designs like those on the Indian pottery might soon be seen in the Fifth Avenue shop windows was made by Dr. Fewkes. It was thought the Indians designs might rival those of Tut-ankh-Amen.

"As soon as designers saw these remarkable patterns," Dr. Fewkes said, "they became eager to reproduce them for the decoration of fabrics, and I believe that before long we will see them in shop windows."

According to Dr. Fewkes, the pottery showed that the Indians had a theology as well as an art that anticipated modern life. Several of the paintings on the pottery showed that they believed in a virgin birth, and that this belief included a Virgin who had borne twins, which had become the gods of war of this Indian tribe.

Says Light Is Particles of Matter.

A new theory of the ultimate unit of electricity has been put forward by Professor A. P. Mathews of the University of Cincinnati. Scientists generally believe that protons and electrons are the primordial elements of the universe, and that they are the positive and negative charges of electricity, but Professor Mathews says the etherion is the ultimate unit of both electricity and light.

Professor Mathews pictures the etherion as a particle of matter before it becomes an electron, rejecting the prevailing theory that light consists of ether waves. He says that the ether consists of etherions, minute spheres that revolve at tremendous speed with a velocity of 186,000 miles a second, and that when an etherion gains energy of rotation it becomes a proton, or positive electrical charge, and that a neighboring etherion, losing the same energy, becomes an electron, or negative charge. According to Professor Mathews, light is the basis of all matter, as the etherions are nothing but waves of light too small for transmission, and moving around and around in one place.

Suggests Genetics for Plants.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Application of genetics to agriculture and the improvement of plants by scientific breeding might increase the world food supply 25 per cent., agriculturists were told at the group meeting held today by members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Through genetics said Dr. Herbert K. Hayes of the University of Minnesota, new types of plants immune to fungus and other diseases which lower the yield, may be evolved and types selected which are suitable to varied climatic and other conditions. Many things already are known regarding proper breeding of new strains and proper selection of types for various purposes, it will require years of study and trial before the science has reached its height.

WIDOW ENTERS COLLEGE.

Illinois Woman Wants to Keep Up With Her Daughters.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—"Widows should go to college instead of joining women's clubs," declares Mrs. Augusta Rudd McDonald of Evanston, who will be 49 years old in June and has two daughters who were graduated from Northwestern, which university she has entered herself. More than that, Mrs. McDonald has plunged into university life in all its phases. She has been "rushed" by sororities and has become a member of the Phi Beta Phi.

She is a graduate of Oberlin, '97, and will receive her M. A. degree from the College of Liberal Arts at Northwestern next June.

Her son Donald is now attending Knox, and another son, Leon, was a freshman at Dartmouth last year, but decided to remain away from school a year before returning to Dartmouth next Fall on account of his age. He was only 16 when he entered college.

"There are several reasons why I decided to go back to school," Mrs. McDonald said. "I think it is a good thing for all widows to do. A woman works for a club or some organization of that kind, but accomplishes little and gets no reward. At school reward is sure. A mother should keep up with the times, keep abreast of her daughters, who are too apt to look upon her schooling with an air of superiority."

ALLEGE $1,300,000 LOSS.

Chicago Corporation Accuses Former Head—Three Banks Involved.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Charges that Kurk R. Beak, former head of K. R. Beak & Co., mortgage bankers, had caused the firm to lose between $1,000,000 and $1,300,000 were made yesterday by Eugene L. Garey, its attorney. Three banks were said to be involved although it was stated that the security of none of them was involved.

Soon after Mr. Garey made his complaint a petition for a receiver for the Argyle Building Corporation, a $1,000,000 Beak venture, was filed. Lloyd J. Smith was named temporary receiver.

Beak was taken to the State's Attorney's office and held in technical custody for examination. George L. Schein, his attorney, denied the charges which were that Beak had disposed of quantities of worthless paper in the hope of relieving himself of an overload of investments, chiefly in the Argyle enterprise.

"Beak & Co. are solvent," Beak declared. He said he knew nothing of any duplicate issued of bonds as alleged but asserted his greatest mistake had been made in trying to absorb two Buffalo concerns.

JENKS ACCUSES WOMAN.

Binghamton Assemblyman Tells of Receiving "Poison Pen" Letters.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Assemblyman Edmund B. Jenks lodged information today before Justice of the Peace Maxfield in Whitney Point, home of the Assemblyman, in connection with several alleged "poison pen" letters received by the legislator and one other prominent resident of the village during the last year.

The information, the Assemblyman stated, named a woman as the author of the letters.

The Justice said he would issue a warrant tomorrow and that the woman would be arrested on a charge of criminal libel. Assemblyman Jenks did not divulge the contents of the letters.

LEADERS ENDORSE 'LEAGUE OF YOUTH'

Delegates to the Student Volunteer Convention Discuss Proposed National Movement.

BUT DOUBT ACTION NOW

Dr. Elliott Declares American Young Men and Women Are Prepared to Act on Problems.

Special to The New York Times.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 30.—Leaders among the 7,400 delegates attending the quadrennial convention of the International Student Volunteer movement expressed today to THE NEW YORK TIMES correspondent their views on the probability of a new national youth movement, embracing all that is best in the young men and women of this country, being the outcome of the meeting here. The consensus of opinion was that while no definite program would be laid down for a "league of youth," which may eventually embrace 500,000 students in American and Canadian educational and religious institutions, the 6,000 students here were so impressed with the possibilities of such a scheme that they would lay it before the bodies to which they belong when they return home.

Among those who expressed their opinions were Dr. Harrison S. Elliott of New York, Professor of Religious Education at the Union Theological Seminary; Robert P. Wilder of New York, General Secretary of the Student Volunteer movement; David R. Porter, Executive Secretary of the Student Department of the Y. M. C. A., and John R. McCurdy, leader of the New York City delegation and Secretary of the interscholastic branch of the Y. M. C. A. All are enthusiastic supporters of a national youth movement.

Dr. Joseph C. Robbins, President of the convention and Foreign Secretary of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, is one of the few who doubts that the idea will develop, though he admits the seeds of it have been sown. He said today:

"The youth movements in European countries, which are being freely discussed here, were revolts against autocracy. Autocracy does not exist here, and there is, in my opinion, no need for a movement along similar lines in this country. Why, the younger generation has complete liberty as it is. My children run the home."

Dr. Elliott's Views.

The strongest supporter of the movement is Dr. Elliott, who said:

"I have been in close touch with colleges and other educational institutions for more than twenty years. I never have known when among students there was such a different temper. The young men and women of America appear prepared to take the bit in their teeth. This fact is well recognized at this convention. In addition, there is a situation here out of which a movement of the youth type is quite likely to develop.

"Here are students from every part of the country, and there is, therefore, an intersectional exchange of views. Then, for the first time, students of all races are meeting on common ground, which for the majority is a new experience. If there is to be a youth movement, it will be a revolt against the present social order. Again, we have here students actually facing students of other races and talking over their common problems. Many of those present live, of course, extremely provincial lives. They have come straight into contact with problems which are continually before European students. They see, as it were, all the international and national problems personalized. They, therefore, cannot escape concern in questions of which they were formerly unaware.

"Whether any united youth movement will actually develop at the convention I do not know, but I am strongly of the opinion that when these students here, who represent, perhaps, 500,000 of the best types of young men and women of America, go back to the bodies to which they belong, they will awaken their fellow students to the necessity of youth taking an active and heroic part in the racial, economic and international problems which will have to be faced.

"The development of a league of youth in revolt against racial discrimination, economic injustice and international strife may well be the outcome of so representative a group of students, the leaders of the generation ahead.

"Another outstanding result of this convention will be, I fancy, a demand that educational institutions throughout the United States give more attention to the real questions of the day."

Discussed by New York Delegates.

There are about 500 delegates from New York City and State. Mr. McCurdy, their leader, said today that the youth movement was being eagerly discussed among them in their group debates. He said he believed that when the students returned to New York there would be a general movement among all colleges and similar institutions to co-operate in broadening and deepening the social and religious platform laid down here.

Dr. Robert E. Speer, chairman of the Federated Council of Churches of Christ, addressed this afternoon a public mass meeting of 10,000. Earlier in the day he spoke at an interdenominational gathering in the Second Presbyterian Church and made the first direct reference at this convention to the church war in America.

"In my travels in Europe," Dr. Speer said, "I have noticed the harmony in which the Reformed and Protestant churches are working. It as a great pity there is such dissension in the American churches."

400 Students "Revolt."

Four hundred students "revolted" this morning and, despite the objections of Dr. Joseph C. Robbins, President of the conventon, insisted that a meeting should be held to discuss means whereby war can be outlawed. Their action was interpreted in convention circles as the first move to enlist students in a nation-wide campaign against war.

The meeting was held and by a large majority a motion was adopted that the convention, as a whole, go on record against war.

Christianity is heading into the most dangerous and difficult fifteen years ever known, Dr. John R. Mott of New York, General Secretary of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A., told the delegates in the Cadle Tabernacle this morning.

Reminding the coming generation of the difficulties with which they would be faced, Dr. Mott said he had noticed that men and women students throughout the United States were ready to go to extremes to overcome obstacles which were facing them. But though that alarmed some people, it gave him high hope, since he knew the students were dominated by the unselfishness of a superhuman Lord.

Explaining the difficulties besetting Christianity, Dr. Mott said in part:

"My study of the religions has convinced me that the Christian religion is the hardest to understand of all religions. Of course, that is open to discussion. My reason for saying that Christianity is faced with fifteen perilous years ahead is that Christianity is really finding itself. Christianity has begun to acquire in some large measure a Christian conscience. In other words, we have waked up as never before to the solemn and searching implications of our marvelous gospel.

"This Generation Dissatisfied."

"This generation is more dissatisfied with the past than any assemblage we have called together. They have a right to be. Moreover, they are very much dissatisfied with the present, and again I say they have a right to be. It is a most healthy sign. Likewise they are keenly critical. What have they not criticised. But how much better that is than the old apathy and indifference and inertia which have characterized some of the preceding generations, not in their entirety, thank God! but in large sections of their life.

"This generation also is inquiring. I think it is the most alert and inquiring generation that the world has ever known, and they are asking leading questions, and they are determined to have answers. And that reminds me that they are responsive to the note of reality wherever they hear it, and they hate sham and hypocrisy with bitter hatred and are prepared to deal body blows against that great central sin.

"Here we have a generation, as we have been reminded afresh, in whose hearts and brains are surging tides of new thought and social passion. What may these tides not bear us into if directed by the living Christ and his unselfish representatives?

"It is a generation that has some other very attractive traits—hopefulness, how much needed in a time when the note of pessimism is so perceptibly widening on every hand; idealism, when so many of the multitudes that we saw yesterday in the mountains have come down into the mists of the low valleys; the spirit of vision or penetration, which sees what the crowd do not see, and without this the world must perish; it will not perish. Coupled with that we have the spirit of adventure like our predecessors had.

Ready to Go to Extremes.

"Then I discover what I didn't at first notice, that this generation of students—it may be a little early to say this, but I am going to stake my faith; I believe we will be able to say it in the coming days—are ready to go to extremes. That alarms some people. It gives me high hope in a place like this. It would not in places not dominated by the unselfishness of a superhuman Lord. I remind you that Jesus Christ went to extremes. He went to the greatest extreme. He went to the cross. With compelling reality he tested and proved His ideals and His guiding principles and purpose."

Prince J. E. K. Aggrey, son of an African jungle potentate, is to speak tomorrow. He will in next year to Africa as a member of the Commission on Education to East Africa.

SAILORS SHUN BANNED ZONE

Greene to Seek Padlock Writs Against Saloons Near Navy Yard.

In that part of Brooklyn adjacent to the Navy Yard from which all enlisted men are barred by orders of Rear-Admiral Charles P. Plunkett, Commandant of the Navy Yard, men in naval uniform were less in evidence yesterday than on the two previous days. Here and there a sailor could be seen hurrying along the lanes laid down by Admiral Plunkett in an effort to get beyond the restricted zone. Most of the men, however, chose to ride from the proscribed district on trolley cars.

Commenting on the situation, United States District Attorney Ralph C. Greene said that before Saturday he had received no complaint of allegedly harmful conditions in streets close to the Navy Yard from the naval authorities and that he had not been informed by the police of the identities of persons arrested for violations of the Volstead act who did business in the section in question.

"I will file at least five applications for padlock injunctions directed against saloons in that section tomorrow," said Mr. Greene. "I will follow up these applications with others and the saloons in that district will be proceeded against as speedily as possible."

Meanwhile, the merchants in the restricted centre are protesting against the order of Admiral Plunkett because they believe it will entail loss of business. Members of the Sands Street Board of Trade held an indignation meeting at which it was decided to organize the storekeepers of the restricted area for the purpose of securing a modification of the order. In reply to an appeal by shopkeepers Representative John F. Quayle promised to see Secretary of the Navy Denby about the matter.

HUSBAND ASKS $100,000.

W. C. Russell Says Stewart Bates Alienated His Wife's Affections.

Stewart Bates, a manager of a cough-drop plant in Poughkeepsie, has been made defendant in a $100,000 suit for alienation of the affections of Mrs. W. C. Russell of Yonkers, it was learned at Yonkers yesterday. W. C. Russell, husband of the woman, who is wealthy and prominent in society, is the plaintiff.

Filing of the suit disclosed the fact that Mrs. Russell and her husband have separated. She is with her mother at their home at 70 Waring Place. Formerly she lived in Poughkeepsie, and there it is said, became acquainted with Bates.

Mrs. Russell, daughter of Mrs. F. W. R. Eschmann and the late F. W. R. Eschmann, a wealthy chemist, was out of town yesterday, but her mother admitted she knew of the suit brought by her son-in-law, and denounced it as a piece of spite work.

"He is simply angry because my daughter left him," she said. "There is no grounds for any such suit."

Mrs. Eschmann said she knew Bates and that she knew her daughter had taken a ride in Bates's automobile, but declared there was no particular significance in that circumstance. Russell, the plaintiff, she said, was also friendly at that time with Bates.

Bates, at his home in Poughkeepsie, admitted the suit had been filed, but attributed it to "petty jealousy" on the part of Russell. His counsel, he said, had entered a general denial of Russell's charges.

The case will be tried in the January term of the Supreme Court before Justice Mereshauser, in Poughkeepsie.

ALPINE SLIDE KILLS SEVEN.

Many Mountain Climbers Are Missing—75-Foot Drifts Near Vienna.

VIENNA, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Seven ski runners have perished in an avalanche while ascending the Feldalpenhorn and two more on the Bloeckenau in the Alps. Numerous parties of mountain climbers are reported as missing.

In the Salzburg region the storm has abated, but the Arlberg route, forming the boundary between Tyrol and Vorarlberg, is still closed, in consequence of heavy avalanches.

The snowfall in Salzburg and Tyrol is the heaviest in a decade. Near Vienna there are snowdrifts seventy-five feet high.

CAFE OWNER SLAIN IN RAID BY ROBBERS

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tives in which two detectives were wounded. Shortly afterward police stopped a taxicab at 180th Street and Third Avenue, the Bronx, and questioned the chauffeur, George Colligan, of 15 West 180th Street, and his passenger, John Ray, 19, of 510 West 145th Street. Ray drew a pistol, the police said, and Patrolman Charles Winterhalter fired at him, wounding him in the left leg. The Kowalskys identified Ray as one of the three robbers and he was sent to Lincoln Hospital, a prisoner.

Colligan was held in $10,000 bail for examination Wednesday, but said he knew nothing about it.

Three men, each carrying a pistol, yesterday stole $70 from the cash register of a United Cigar store at Broadway and 116th Street, after forcing the clerk, Edward Hughes, into a rear room.

Henry White, colored, of 250 West Seventy-second Street, an elevator operator, was arrested yesterday on complaint of Miss Odessa Morris of 229 West 101st Street, who alleged he stole $1,000 worth of jewelry from her apartment on Apr. 14.

Henry Williams and Edith Jenkins, both colored, were held for a hearing Wednesday on the charge that on Christmas night they hit John Shannon of 344 West Forty-second Street, with a cotton hook and robbed him of $20 which he rapped on the Jenkins door by mistake.

In Flatbush Court Magistrate Steers yesterday held three men in $10,000 bail each for a hearing Friday on charges of robbery. They were accused of beating and robbing of $50 Robert S. Mitchell of 1,140 Flatbush Avenue, at Atlantic and Third Avenue, early yesterday. The prisoners were caught by Patrolman James Hendry and Traffic Policeman La Francois after a chase. They said they were James Kelly of 164 Huntington Street, Francis Dixon of 349 Fifth Avenue and Joseph Richards of 170 Nevins Street, all in Brooklyn.

In Fifth Avenue Court, Brooklyn, Magistrate Brown held two men without bail for examination Thursday on charges of assault, robbery and carrying pistols. The prisoners were Frank Montana of 409 Fortieth Street and Nicolo Bonavito of 5,015 Fourth Avenue, both in Brooklyn.

It was alleged that Montana fired a shot at Carl Gilfan of 977 Third Avenue, late Saturday night, when he entered Louis Einstein's tailoring shop at 979 Third Avenue, while they were holding up Einstein and his helper, Herman Meyer. It was also charged that on Friday night Montana held up and robbed Abraham Finkelstein in his dry goods store at 859 Fifty-fifth Street, Brooklyn. Montana involved Bonavito as his accomplice in a previous robbery of the tailoring shop.

A man and a woman, believed to be the couple who in the afternoon robbed three Fort Chester homes, leaving footprints of a man and woman in the snow, held up Arthur Moore, a garage owner, in Mamaroneck about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. Moore was walking toward his home when a touring car stopped near him on Barry Street and a woman called to him. Stepping from the car, the woman asked whether he would examine the motor, which seemed to be working badly. As Moore began the examination, with the woman standing beside him, a man sprang out of the automobile and threw a pistol against Moore's side. The woman took $520 and a gold watch from Moore.

OUR AVIATORS SET 33 RECORDS IN 1923

Twentieth Year of Flying Was Marked by Big Achievements.

PRIVATE OPERATION LAGGING

Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce Expresses Regret at Lack of Federal Support.

American aviation this year—the twentieth since the first successful airplane flight—accomplished unparalleled achievements, placing the United States first in the number of records established, according to a review issued yesterday by the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce.

Summarizing the accomplishments of 1923, the United States captured thirty-three world records; designed, constructed and flew the largest rigid dirigible in existence; developed and operated the first night airway and put aircraft to work for the Government in many ways. Army aviators made a non-stop flight across the continent, while private operators flew approximately 2,000,000 miles.

The review deplores the fact that American commercial aviation, making great efforts for popular recognition and support, is handicapped by the lack of Federal air laws and some sort of a bureau of civil aeronautics at Washington.

"Of the thirty-three world records, twenty-two are credited to the Naval Bureau of Aeronautics and eleven to the Army Air Service," the report says. "Of the twenty-two by the navy, three—the world's fastest speeds—were made in land planes. The outstanding records in speed were 266.59 miles an hour for three kilometers (1.864 miles), 243.67 miles an hour for 100 kilometers (62.14 miles) and 242.67 miles an hour for 200 kilometers (134.27 miles), all made by Lieutenant A. J. Williams, U. S. N., the first on Nov. 4 at Mitchel Field, L. I., and the other two in the Pulitzer Race at St. Louis, Oct. 4. Lieutenant David Rittenhouse, U. S. N., on Sept. 28, at Cowes, England, established a new world speed record for seaplanes, of 177.38 miles an hour. He won the Schneider Trophy from French and English competitors.

Made Records in Old Ships.

"The Army Air Service achievements are notable for having been made mostly with obsolescent craft improved and operated with greater skill. Records for 500, 1,000, 1,500, 2,000, 2,500, 3,000, 3,500, 4,000, 5,000 and 5,250 kilometers were made at Dayton, Ohio, and San Diego, Cal. They were accomplished, for the longer distances, through refueling in full flight, a gas tank plane passing the new supply through a hose to the lower ship. A world's duration record of 36 hours 4 minutes 31 seconds was made over Dayton, Ohio, April 14-17, by Lieutenants Oakley Kelly and J. A. Macready, U. S. A. S. But Lieutenants Lowell H. Smith and J. P. Richter, U. S. A. S., on Aug. 27-28 at San Diego, Cal., established a new duration record of 37 hours 15 minutes 50.3 seconds. This was made in an army observation plane seven years old in design, refueled in flight. Another performance by the Army Air Service which, although not a record, constituted an unrivalled performance, was that of Lieutenant Russell L. Maugham, U. S. A. S., who, on July 19, flew 1,890 miles from Mitchel Field, L. I., to Rock Springs, Wyo., in a new type pursuit plane. He made three stops. His elapsed time was fifteen hours, or an average of nearly 126 miles an hour.

"Of the eighteen other records established by the navy, three covered distance with seaplanes or flying boats, one a duration of 11 hours 16 minutes 59 seconds, another altitude of 18,893 feet, and the remainder special performances in speed, duration and altitude with added weight.

"In the case of both the army and the navy, every record was made with a plane and engine American in design and manufacture.

Triumph of the Shenandoah.

"Two events of great significance were staged practically simultaneously. On Sept. 4 the navy launched the rigid airship ZR-1, later christened the Shenandoah. This ship, entirely of American design and manufacture, has successfully demonstrated thousands of miles of flight and marks the establishment in this country of a new phase of the aircraft industry, and led, late in the year, to the procurement by an American corporation of Zeppelin airship rights.

"On Sept. 5 the Air Service undertook another demonstration of the superiority of air power over sea power, and bombed and sunk the scrapped United States battleships Alabama and New Jersey. The latter was attacked from an altitude of 6,000 feet and went down seven and a half minutes after the last bomb was released.

"Commercial aviation, as represented by the small operators flying war surplus airplanes, barely held its own. About 2,000,000 miles were flown in 1,200 to 1,500 machines in the hands of 600 or so pilots. Regular services were operated in season between Cleveland and Detroit, Key West and Havana, New York and Newport and New York and the White Mountains. Commercial aviation, as represented by the useful non-flying services to which aircraft were put by the Federal departments, made distinct progress."

STUDENT SHOT AND KILLED.

Youth Is Arrested for Murder—Says It Was an Accident.

Emil Petersen Jr., 15 years old, a student of the Hoboken Junior High School, died yesterday from wounds received shortly before midnight Saturday, when a revolver held by Louis Luciano, 17, was discharged.

Luciano was arrested on a charge of murder, and Joseph Tambaryo, proprietor of a candy store in which Luciano told the police he was showing the revolver to Petersen, was arrested on the charge of maintaining a disorderly place. Luciano said the weapon was discharged accidentally.

3,000 IMMIGRANTS COMING THIS WEEK

Will Help Exhaust the 25,000 Places Left in Quotas Up to June 30, 1924.

100 RUSSIANS CAN ENTER

Decision of Judge Knox on November List Leaves Room—17 Quotas Reported Filled.

Nearly 4,000 passengers, of whom about 3,000 are immigrants, will arrive in New York tomorrow and Wednesday and help to exhaust the remaining quotas for the fiscal year 1923-24.

After the December quota had been admitted, there were left places under the law for only about 25,000 immigrants for the remaining six months of the year ending June 30, 1924. Of this number Germany has 11,512 to come, Sweden 2,729 and Norway another 2,216 before the quotas for the year are exhausted.

It is understood that seventeen quotas were exhausted by Dec. 12, but the exact figures have not been given out, because of mistakes in totaling at the bureau in Washington. Word was received last week that the quota for Lithuania had been exhausted and one immigrant was ordered deported. After he had been placed on a steamship ready to sail a mistake was discovered in Lithuania's total and he was taken off at the last minute. The decision recently given by Judge Knox in the Federal District Court declaring that the decision made by the immigration authorities on the November quota is illegal, leaves room for about 100 more Russians, although more than that number were deported as being in excess of the quota in November.

The steamships due tomorrow and Wednesday and the number of their passengers are:

	First.	Second.	Third.
Byron, Greek Line, from Patras	7	46	50
Mongolia, American, from Hamburg	49	249	206
Tyrrhenia, Cunard, from Hamburg	43	156	132
Bremen, North German Lloyd, from Bremen	229	574	
Mount Clay, United American, from Hamburg	106	330	
Albert Ballin, Hamburg Am., from Hamburg	408	463	
Rochambeau, French, from Havre	128	68	
Orca, Royal Mail, from Hamburg	19	170	131
Total	943	1,518	2,106
Grand total—4,567.			

The immigrants will be sent to Ellis Island and examined as soon as as the steamships arrive.

3,000 FAKE DIPLOMAS OBTAINED IN CHICAGO

Federal Prosecution of Bogus Doctors Sought—Hartford Inquiry Resumes This Week.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—More than 3,000 "graduates" of Chicago "diploma mills" have opened offices in small towns during the past year and started practicing medicine and pharmacy without a license, John W. Follmer, Inspector for the State Department of Education and Registration, has just announced, after investigating fifty schools suspected of dealing in fake diplomas.

Many doctors and pharmacists in small towns are ex-students of Chicago correspondence schools, he said.

"The average person does not think of asking to see a license before he patronizes a dentist or druggist," Mr. Follmer explained. "A big diploma, headed by the name of a seemingly imposing university, disperses any doubt about the town's newest professional man."

These diplomas have been traced to towns in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Missouri and even in the mountain districts of Kentucky, he said. Any evidence obtained will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury and indictments asked, he added.

Special to The New York Times.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 30.—On the eve of the reconvening of the Grand Jury investigating fake medical diplomas, Foreman Benedict M. Holden declared tonight that Connecticut party politics will not be permitted to divert attention from the main issue. During the coming week Governor Charles A. Templeton, at his own request, will testify again regarding his vetoes on medical bills which were overridden in the final hours of the last session of the Legislature.

Foreman Holden said that a hundred doctors had been subpoenaed to testify as to their status as well as patients of these doctors and surviving relatives and friends of deceased patients. "The Grand Jury will resume its session Wednesday," he said, "and will push its work for the next three weeks, sitting five or six days each week."

The Governor has recently issued several statements in reply to Republican politicians who were aroused by his charges in the Literary Digest against House Leader John Buckley and other Republican legislators behind the medical bills. Tonight the Governor reiterated that those measures were purely political in their genesis and auspices.

State's Attorney Hugh M. Alcorn, who is preparing additional manslaughter and malpractice cases developed in the inquiry, said today that he expected to arrange a conference in Hartford soon with New York and Connecticut authorities for an exchange of information and determination of future joint action.

Judge Gets Coveted No. 1 for Auto.

HARTFORD, Dec. 30.—An automobile owned by Judge James F. Woodruff of Litchfield will bear the 1924 passenger automobile registration plate number 1 which has been held by Judge Woodruff since 1908 when the State of Connecticut first issued motor vehicle licenses.

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THREE SEEN ON RAFT MAY BE AIRSHIP MEN

Fishermen's Report Gives Slight Hope of Rescue of Some From the Dixmude.

ANGER IN FRANCE GROWS

Naval Headquarters Said to Have Ordered Dirigible to Proceed, Regardless of Warnings.

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PARIS, Dec. 30.—Radio messages from Sfax, on the Gulf of Gabes, state that fishermen, forced to flee to shelter in the harbor from a raging gale, report seeing three men on a raft. It is believed that they are survivors of the dirigible Dixmude, but it is impossible to confirm this, the heavy weather preventing boats from putting out.

The campaign calling for punishment of the officials responsible for the loss of the airship is growing. In addition to the recently published letter written in 1920 by Lieutenant du Plessis de Grenadan, saying that the Dixmude was incapable of intensive service, it is learned that Chief Technical Quartermaster Monbert complained to the Ministry of Marine about defects of the dirigible and asked to have it transferred to Orly Aviation Camp, which was refused.

M. Monbert was in Paris on a furlough Nov. 20 when the Dixmude made its first long voyage. Commenting on the cruise of the Dixmude M. Monbert told relatives:

"The vessel is not constructed to do what they are attempting with her. She is full of defects and it is impossible to fix her up. It is the result of hasty war construction."

Reports from Toulon state that when Admiral Gilly suddenly decided at the last minute not to make the trip, sending Commander Yvon instead, the members of the crew became alarmed, and at dawn on Dec. 18, when the dirigible was being run out of the shed at the airdome at Cuers-Pierrefeu many men srieked:

"They are sending us to death!"

M. Labric, editor of the Aero-Sport, states that when the Dixmude, warned at Toulon of the bad weather, wirelessed that she intended to land as soon as possible; the naval headquarters sent a reply as follows:

"Continue regardless of the cost."

M. Labric declares there were only four or five parachutes aboard the airship and they were all worn by high officers.

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GIRGENTI, Sicily, Dec. 29.—The fate of the Dixmude and its crew still remains a mystery. An order from Premier Mussolini himself has thrown the local administration of the village of Sciacca and the district into feverish activity hunting for the bodies of the French airmen or their great Zeppelin, but the only hope is that some time within a week or ten days when the Mediterranean returns to its customary placidity, it will give up its dead.

French naval attaché, M. Gulbert, from the Embassy in Rome, who arrived today at Sciacca, has assumed charge of the body of Lieutenant de Grenadan, which will be taken to Rome from Palermo on an Italian destroyer placed in the service of the French Government by Premier Mussolini.

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Official announcement was made today by the Ministry of Marine that the super-dirigible Dixmude might be definitely considered as lost.

A commission to investigate the loss of the airship has been appointed by Vice Admiral Fatou, commanding the southern maritime frontier. The commission is composed of Captain de Laborde, Chairman, and Capitaine Darce and Lacroa Didier and Lieutenants Beauvais and Yaugeois.

The recovery of the body of Lieutenant Grenadan, commander of the Dixmude, remains thus far the sole evidence that the great French dirigible found a resting place at the bottom of the ocean. The search on the sea has been hampered by storms.

To a great extent the patrols have been called in from the interior sections of Tunis, Algeria and the Sahara desert.

While hope has been abandoned respecting the possibility of any of those aboard the Dixmude surviving, there is a deep desire on the part of the Government that the bodies of the other victims be found and that the exact cause of the Dixmude's destruction be disclosed.

PARIS, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Among the missing men of the Dixmude is Quartermaster Hamon. This aerial navigator in January, 1918, piloted a dirigible over the Mediterranean, his superior officer being Naval Lieutenant Roustan, who also is missing. Both fell into the sea when the dirigible was torn open in a gale, but they were rescued after sixteen hours in an angry sea.

Hamon suffered another mishap toward the end of that year, he being the only survivor of a crew of twelve when an airship broke asunder in a terrible gale. Hamon seized a barrel and clung to it for seventy-two hours before he was rescued by a passing mine sweeper.

In neither case was the destruction of the airship observed from land or ship.

BIG SEWER PIPE CUT BY THE LEVIATHAN

Top of Eight-Foot Steel Tube Damaged When the Liner Went Aground.

Two divers were sent down by the Merritt, Chapman & Scott Wrecking Company yesterday for the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission to ascertain what damage had been done to its pipes by the Leviathan of the United States lines when she grounded off Robbins Reef light at 10:50 A. M., Dec. 21, on her way into her pier.

The divers made several trips from a lighter which was anchored over the spot and discovered that the upper half of the south outfall pipe had been cut clean through by the sharp stem of the big liner.

The top of the pipe was within thirty feet of the surface, and the Leviathan was drawing thirty-four feet forward when she grounded. The north outfall and south outfall steel pipes were laid in a trench and were covered with reinforced concrete seven inches thick and about ten feet of mud, but this did not avert the damage done by the Leviathan, which struck it diagonally, the divers said. The pipes are eight feet in diameter and are ended off in fingers which extend 300 feet, about three to each pipe.

The engineers employed by the wrecking company believe that the impact of the bow of the liner with 75,000 tons weight of steel and wood behind it has shaken up the pipes at the foundation and damaged the north outfall pipe as well as the south outfall pipe. They will not be able to complete their report until the divers have concluded their examination, which will occupy from six to five days more.

The divers left everything as they found it yesterday for the divers who will be sent down by the United States Shipping Board to see what damage has been done to the pipes owned by the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission.

Fund for the Neediest Cases Now $175,360; Number of Contributors to the Appeal Is 9,542

Contributions for the Neediest Cases yesterday amounted to $275, making a total of $175,360.17 received so far to this year's appeal. Twenty-two gifts were received for the day, bringing the total number of subscribers to 9,542. Three of yesterday's gifts were in memory of the dead, increasing the total number of memorials to 690.

Contributions yesterday were received as follows:

By The New York Times	$275.00
Previously acknowledged	175,085.17
Complete total	$175,360.17

The contributions received by The New York Times were:

A. E. J.	$5	Doris, J.	2
A. W. L. B.	5	Furth, R. L.	25
Anonymous	1	Georgina	10
Anonymous	5	Helen and Nancy	15
Booth, Lucy D.	5	Hitchcock, Mrs. F. M.	2
Boyd, Carlisle	50	In Memory of— Mother	5
In Memory of— My Dear Mother	200	Perfect Cornice and Roofing Co.	10
In Memory of—		Smith, H. A.	20
J. L. D.	25	Straus, F. A.	10
M. O'R.	5	Waterman, F. M.	10
Newell, C. D.	50	Wilken, George	10
		Yankauer, Alfred	25
Total			$275.00

DIPLOMATS' LIQUOR IS RULED EXEMPT

Revenue Commissioner Blair Upholds Their Use of It, but Bars Any Sale or Gift.

WILL ACT IF LAW IS BROKEN

Foes of Prohibition Call a "Face-the-Facts" Conference for Jan. 21.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Demands made by members of Congress for an interpretation by the Federal Government of the laws covering the possession of intoxicating liquors by foreign diplomatic representatives or employes resulted tonight in the publication of a letter received by Representative Davis of Tennessee from Commissioner Blair, of the Internal Revenue Bureau.

Mr. Blair wrote that liquors in the hands of an accredited representative of a foreign country or any one in his employ, duly registered with the Department of State, were not subject to seizure, but must be served only to their families and bona fide guests.

The Treasury Department, Mr. Blair wrote, held that nothing in the law permitted "the sale, gift, or other distribution of 'diplomatic liquor'" and that his bureau would not hesitate to make an inquiry if sufficient information was supplied to indicate unlawful acts.

That liquor in the hands of any registered diplomat or his employe was subject to seizure, or legal action made possible, is not stated in the Blair letter, however. The Commissioner accompanied his letter with a copy of sections of the revised statutes, which indicated that the only effective course open to the Federal Government, if violation of the law was proved, would be a protest to the home Government of the diplomat involved.

Polish Secretary Duly Registered.

The question of "diplomatic liquor" has caused a stir in Washington, because of the recent publicity given to the alleged disappearance of a "bootlegger list," naming or codifying by numbers many prominent Washingtonians, and the fact that agents of the District Government had attempted to seize as illicit a $50,000 stock of liquor claimed by Vencesias Sokolowski, First Secretary of the Polish Legation. The agents were called off and the Polish Foreign Office sent a communication about the police action to the Department of State.

Commissioner Blair brings up the incident in his letter to Mr. Davis by stating that Dr. Sokolowski is duly registered with the Department of State.

Representative Newton of Minnesota also sent letters to Secretary Hughes and Commissioner Blair asking for information about "diplomatic liquor" and declared that he was not satisfied by the replies he received. Mr. Newton said that "one hears repeatedly stories in and about Washington about how private individuals are enabled to recoup their own stock of liquors from diplomatic sources."

Representative Upshaw has announced that he will make a speech in the House on Thursday dealing with all phases of the so-called Washington liquor scandal.

Anti-Dry Conference Called.

Asserting that prohibition enforcement in four years has been a failure, Captain W. H. Stayton, Chairman of the Association Against the Prohibition Enforcement, has called a "face-the-facts" conference here on Jan. 21 for the purpose of considering the existing conditions and suggesting legislation to supplant the Volstead act, which he declared is "unenforceable."

Senators W. C. Bruce of Maryland, Thomas Bayard of Delaware and A. O. Stanley of Kentucky are scheduled to address the delegates who are expected to gather in large numbers, especially from Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore.

The local Reception Committee of the "face-the-facts conference" was announced by Captain Stayton as follows: Walter D. Wilcox, Chairman; Anthony C. Addison, Arthur Addison, Brooke, Brig. Gen. James A. Buchanan, U. S. A.; William Bowie Clarke, Victor N. Cushman, A. C. Downing, George A. Garrett, Captain John H. Gibbons, U. S. N., retired; Dr. Francis H. Hagner, William F. R. Hitt, Reginald S. Huidekoper, Alexander B. Legare, D. D. L. McGrew, G. Quincy Peters, William S. Reyburn, Henry B. Spencer and W. W. Taylor.

Acceptance of membership on the Executive Committee of the conference has already been received from the following: John G. Agar, John Boit, Colonel Allerton Cushman, Oscar T. Crosby, George B. Cochran, Dr. Charles R. Collins, Frederic R. Coudert Jr., Richard Derby, William Phelps Eno, Allan W. Evarts, Arthur Forsker, Robert C. Hayden, Robert Hinckley, Colonel Archibald Hopkins, S. Pemberton Hutchinson, L. Dupont Irving, A. Hennen Irving, Huntington W. Jackson, Paul E. Johnson, Howard Thayer Kingsbury, Albert Kelsey, J. Miller Kenyon, Allan W. Kerr, Admiral William W. Kimball, Johnston Livingston, Joseph Leiter, Frank Moss, Francis Randolph Mayer, Severo Mallet-Prevost, William W. Miller, Edward C. Mollvain, Colonel George B. McClellan, John L. Merrill, Vinton Pierce, Nelson E. Perin, Charles C. Pauiding, F. A. Richardson, E. Francis Riggs, B. H. Roberts, P. Tecumseh Sherman, Henry S. Thompson, Floyd Waggaman.

"The contemplated meeting will mark the end of the 'trial period' which the association has allowed the Federal and State agencies to 'make good' in suppressing the nation-wide violations of the liquor laws," said Captain Stayton. "The country was regaled with platitudes and promises at the so-called 'citizenship conference' held in Washington some months ago. Then came the conference of Governors of the various States at Washington to discuss better enforcement. Both constituted tacit admission of the failure of prohibition enforcement. During the period that has since elapsed conditions have become worse instead of better, with the crowning sensation presented in the recent 'rum ring' disclosures at the national capital itself.

"With this record of four years wasted, or worse than wasted, the time has come when the American people and not the Anti-Saloon League should be consulted, and it is the cause of the American people that will be taken up at our conference.

"The facts regarding prohibition enforcement are well known. As the title of our conference indicates, we intend to face them. The convention will consider among other questions proper methods to be used to obtain legislation which would be respected and obeyed without enforcement by violent means. The association will go on record that it is standing for law and order, but the law must be right before order can come."

CALL PROHIBITION A SUCCESS HERE

League of Nations Delegates of Five Nations Express Views at Geneva.

REPORT GAIN IN HEALTH

Foreign Physicians Who Made Inspection Trip Expect Dry Nation in Sixty Years.

GENEVA, Dec. 30 (Associated Press).—Physicians representing Great Britain, Yugoslavia, Belgium, Poland and Norway went on record at the health experts' meeting at Geneva as saying that prohibition was proving a success in the United States, according to a statement made today by Dr. Ludwig Rajchman, director o fthe health organization of the League of Nations.

A statement was recently given out by the information section of the League that a group of European physicians, who recently visited America under the auspices of the League and the Rockefeller Foundation, had declared that prohibition would eventually prove to be a real thing in the United States and had already improved the health." A score of these physicians, including Russians and Germans, have been meeting in Geneva to compile the results of their investigation, which began at Washington and covered the Southern States, as part of a plan to determine health conditions in all countries.

Dr. Rajchman said that as the meetings were private he did not believe it fair to give the names of the group who, after visiting America, reported prohibition as working well, as it might prevent freedom of discussion in the future. The official records of the League show that the delegates here representing the countries cited by Dr. Rajchman are: Greater Britain, Dr. Charles Porter; Yugoslavia, Dr. Kuhn; Belgium, Dr. van Boeckel and Dr. Norbert Ensch; Poland, Dr. Batko, and Norway, Dr. Andersen.

There are evidences in some League circles today of divided views regarding the wisdom of the League's giving publicity to the experts' deliberations. This is based on the fear that the opinion might be formed in the United States that the medical experts would have done better to keep off prohibition, which is a topic of domestic debate.

Dr. Rajchman, who was present at all the meetings, declined to disclose the name of the delegate making the report. He said it was approved by five other delegates of the countries mentioned.

"As a matter of fact," he continued, "there was a general debate on prohibition. No vote was taken because our exchanges of views are always informal. Five other delegates seemed rather doubtful about prohibition, but it would not be fair to specify what countries they represented.

"I am not clear whether their remarks referred more to the effects of prohibition in the United States or to the practicability of applying prohibition to their own countries."

In conclusion he said the experts went to the United States not to criticize, but to learn, and the general report to be made to the League would be on the question "have they benefited by their American trip?"

According to the statement given out by the information section of the League, one group of European physicians studied prohibition in the United States especially from a medical standpoint. They reported public health conditions in that country improved by the dry régime; they said the Prohibition law was broken frequently, but declared that "when the present generation dies out and a new generation comes without a taste for liquor, then prohibition will be demonstrated as successful."

They explained that it was not fair to judge the result at the end of a few years but that it would be necessary to wait two or three score years, when they believed "the great American experiment would culminate in victory."

ANDERSON ON PROHIBITION.

Says Its Benefits Outweigh the Deaths Due to Holiday Liquor.

The large number of persons killed or seriously affected by holiday liquor is held to be insignificant in comparison to the widespread beneficial effect of Prohibition by William H. Anderson, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York, in a "New Year's Message" delivered yesterday afternoon at the Bronx Y. M. C. A. He asserted that there was nothing wrong with Prohibition. Among other things Mr. Anderson said:

"Christmas in New York proved that stockings do not have to be empty because bootlegs are full. Incidentally, it proved that full bootlegs cannot hold or dispense as much liquor as open saloons.

"The New York newspapers contained two Christmas stories. One was about the ravages of liquor, which, scrutinized and interpreted, and taken in connection with past history, indicated that the stories about the full bootlegs were exaggerated. The other was the real Christmas story on which the newspapers were in agreement that it was the best Christmas New York has ever known with less want and greater encouragement to happiness.

"The facts set out in the real Christmas story in New York indicate so fundamental, so widespread and far-reaching a contribution to human happiness that the reports of holiday drunkenness and liquor-poisoning shrink into a mere incident indicating that the demand for illicit liquor is being eliminated through the folly of a certain small minority element in drinking itself to death."

SAYS McADOO CANNOT WIN.

Nebraska Governor Declares West Wants No One Identified With War.

Special to The New York Times.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 30.—Governor Charles Bryan of Nebraska hit at William G. McAdoo as a candidate for President yesterday when he issued a statement saying that, after investigating in several Middle Western States, he was convinced that no Democratic candidate who was identified in any way with the issues growing out of the World War could be elected. He also soundly scored the Esch-Cummins law.

"I have been receiving constantly for some," said Mr. Bryan, "definite reports on Presidential candidates from the Middle West agricultural States. One point has been drawn out in all of them—and they have come from Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas—and that is that the Democratic candidate would not carry these States if he were identified in any way with the issues growing out of the war."

UNTERMYER CALLS FOR HOUSING RELIEF

Favors State Trade Commission to Curb Illegal Combinations and Labor Unions.

ATTACKS SPEAKER MACHOLD

Opposed to Municipal Housing—Senator Calder Also Against This Form of Relief.

Extension of the emergency housing laws, including revision of the tax exemption law, was recommended yesterday by Samuel Untermyer, former counsel for the Lockwood Committee on Housing, in a public statement, and by former Senator William M. Calder in a letter to Governor Smith. At the same time the American Labor Party announced its intention to support the tenants' movement for municipally built houses renting at moderate rates.

Mr. Untermyer, in his statement blaming Speaker H. Edmund Machold for the grip maintained on the building industry by illegal combinations, asserts that since those combines have demonstrated they are more powerful than the State an appeal will be made to Congress for anti-trust law amendments to bring about their extermination.

The remedies proposed by Mr. Untermyer include passage of the State Trade Commission bill creating a permanent board to serve as a bulwark against illegal combinations, regulation of the labor unions and extension for two years and enlargement of the Lockwood committee emergency rent laws and the tax exemption law.

Mr. Untermyer is opposed to municipal housing, and points out that because of the necessary constitutional amendments such a project could not be got under way for five years.

Attacks Speaker Machold.

Mr. Untermyer's statement places the responsibility for housing evils "in large measure upon the last Legislature and particularly upon the Assembly under the domination of Speaker Machold."

"He was the enemy of the Lockwood committee from the beginning and it was his hostile influence that put it prematurely out of business and defeated its legislative program," Mr. Untermyer's statement says.

"So anxious was he to respond to the cry for vengeance upon the committee from the gouging landlord, the politically powerful criminal conspiracies among the big manufacturers and dealers in builders' supplies, the professional labor leaders and the stock exchanges, stock brokers and other financial interests, all of whose bitter enmity the committee had incurred by its exposures and criminal prosecutions, that the committee was hurriedly snuffed to death with its work unfinished and its program of legislation was smashed to smithereens.

"The building and renting of houses by the State, as has been suggested, is quite out of the question. That sort of competition would immediately destroy private enterprise. Its only effect would be to artificially stimulate further advances both in labor and materials.

"If, however, there could be prompt aid by way of State loans or subsidies, I would welcome it. But the thing is unfortunately impracticable and it is dangerous to rely upon it because of the immediate inaction that would necessarily follow the attempt. Besides, State aid will throw the entire difficult and delicate business of building into politics and will not be able to successfully compete with private enterprise and it would in all likelihood result in a veritable orgy of political favoritism and corruption. It will further fasten upon building operations the grip of the criminal trade conspiracies of the manufacturers and dealers in builders' supplies who have already come out of hiding and resumed operations promptly following the removal of the dread of the further exposures and prosecutions of the Lockwood committee. Private enterprise can meet the situation, difficult as it is, if competition in materials and in union labor are given a free field.

Mr. Untermyer's Relief Program.

"My proposed remedies are:

"1—The passage of the State Trade Commission bill that was recommended by the Lockwood committee as a permanent body to take the place of the committee to keep the illegal combinations from again springing into life. It passed the Senate in March last and was defeated in the Assembly solely through the influence of Speaker Machold in the interest of the criminal combinations of manufacturers and dealers that are again flourishing in the building trade. That bill would exterminate these profiteering combinations.

"2—That the labor unions be regulated by law, at least to the extent of preventing them from restricting membership and apprentices. The bonuses over the union wage and the growing inefficiency of labor are attributable to that cause.

"3—Strengthen and extend the Lockwood committee emergency rent laws.

"4—Extend and enlarge the tax exemption law, but only as applied to one and two-family dwellings of a certain class and to tenements that do not rent at more than $10 per month per room. The taxes against these properties should be assessed as though there were no exemption, and the redemption should be allowable from year to year only by way of rebate and only in those cases where the owner can establish that the rent exacted has been within the exemption limit."

Calder Against Municipal Housing

Senator Calder opposes the proposal to have municipalities start construction of cheap houses to be rented at moderate prices. He advocates the extension for one year of the emergency housing laws, the revision of the Tax Exemption law to include multi-family houses renting at $10 a room for non-heated, and $15 a room for heated buildings. He also points out that a comprehensive subway building program, giving new routes to undeveloped sections where ground is cheap and building may be undertaken more economically than in congested areas would contribute a large measure of relief.

In announcing its intention to press its demands for municipally built houses, the American Labor Party asserts that the worst evils of rent-profiteering have been checked by the emergency housing laws, as shown by the preliminary report of the State Commission on Housing and Regional Planning.

Tenants Find Janitress Dead.

It was cold in the apartment house at 187 St. Nicholas Avenue yesterday morning and several tenants went to the apartment of Mrs. Mary Payne, 80 years old, a widow who for the past seventeen years had been janitress of the house, to see why the heat wasn't turned on. They found the door locked and notified Patrolman Timothy O'Neil of the West 123d Street station, who forced an entrance. He found the janitress dead in bed. She had been suffering from heart trouble for some time, and this, it is believed, was the cause of death.

Barricaded Negroes Surrender to Guardsmen After Arkansas Mob Forms for an Attack

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 30.—Eleven negroes who barricaded themselves in a house in the Catcher community, five miles from Van Buren, late today when white residents threatened a riot as a result of the killing late Friday of Mrs. Robert Latimer, surrendered to National Guardsmen from Ozark and were lodged in the jail at Van Buren early tonight for safe-keeping.

The white population offered little or no resistance to the guardsmen, who were ordered to the scene early this afternoon by Governor McRae. The eleven negroes surrendered only after Captain Kaye, in command of the troops, threatened them with machine gun fire.

Quiet prevailed in the little community early tonight and no further trouble is feared.

Judge Cochrane of the Circuit Court has called a special Grand Jury to investigate the killing of Mrs. Latimer. The jury will meet in Van Buren Wednesday.

Three negroes, Seurgeon Buck, William Bettis and John Clay, the latter only 15 years old, have been arrested. Clay is alleged to have confessed, and the police say he involved Buck and Bettis. Clay was in the Crawford County Jail at Van Buren, fifteen miles from this city, last night. Buck and Bettis, who were taken to Van Buren yesterday afternoon, were spirited away when a mob of several hundred men threatened to storm the jail early last night.

RECORD RESOURCES IN THE STATE BANKS

Total Is $9,500,000,000, a Gain of $1,761,890,282 Over Previous Top in 1919.

DEPOSITS ARE $7,449,134,695

Superintendent McLaughlin Reports Them 42 Per Cent. of Total in All National Banks.

ALBANY, Dec. 30.—Resources of the institution under the supervision of the New York State Banking Department total more than $9,500,000,000, the largest in its history according to the annual report of George V. McLaughlin, State Superintendent of Banks. Deposits aggregate $7,449,134,695. The increase in resources over the previous high total of Nov. 12, 1919, is $1,761,890,282, while the gain in deposits amounts to $1,142,913,853.

The report compares the resources and deposits of New York banking institutions with those of national banks operating in the State and the nation, the national bank figures being taken from the last call of the Controller of the Currency on Sept. 14, last.

"It will be noted," says Superintendent McLaughlin, "that the deposits of institutions under the supervision of the New York State Banking Department are more than twice the total on deposit in national banks in New York State and are equal to 43 per cent. of the total amount on deposit in all national banks throughout the entire country. The figures follow:

Total resources of institutions under supervision of N. Y. State Banking Dept. Dec. 31, 1923	$9,500,000,000
Total resources of institutions under supervision of N. Y. State Banking Dept. Nov. 12, 1919	7,738,109,718
Gain	$1,761,890,282
Total deposits of institutions under supervision of N. Y. State Banking Dept. Dec. 31, 1923	7,449,134,695
Total deposits of institutions under supervision of N. Y. State Banking Dept. Nov. 12, 1919	6,306,220,840
Gain	$1,142,913,853
COMPARISON.	
Deposits of national banks in N. Y. State Sept. 14, 1923	3,623,725,000
Deposits in N. Y. State banking institutions Dec. 31, 1923	7,449,134,695
Amount of deposits in N. Y. State banks greater than national banks	$3,825,409,695
Deposits of national banks in U. S. Sept. 14, 1923	17,040,530,000
Deposits of N. Y. State banks equal to 43 per cent. of the deposits of all national banks	7,449,134,695

"The detail figures below appear below are confined to State banks, trust companies and private banks under the supervision of this department, and do not include savings banks and other institutions under our supervision. Aggregate figures of the first three institutions mentioned, follow:

Resources, Nov. 15, 1923	$5,437,401,344
Resources, Nov. 15, 1922	4,915,527,606
Increase	$ 521,873,739
Deposits, Nov. 15, 1923	$4,505,004,133
Deposits, Nov. 15, 1922	4,083,495,521
Increase	$ 421,508,612
Capital and Surplus, Nov. 15, '23	$598,315,236
Capital and Surplus, Nov. 15, '22	553,256,065
Increase	$45,059,171

"It was stated in the last annual report of this department that the ratio of capital and surplus to deposits of our institutions was 1 to 7⅝. This year, with the enormous increase in deposits, the ratio is 1 to 7¾, indicating that our institutions have increased their capital and surplus proportionately with the increase in deposits.

"The policy of our institutions and of this department in valuing assets has been to use market value or a figure below it in some cases, so that it can be said that the financial condition of our institutions, considered collectively, as reflected in the statements submitted, is a fair statement of the assets, liabilities, capital and surplus of the institutions.

"There have been no failures of banking institutions incorporated under the laws of New York State during the year 1923, and the records of the department show that no depositor has suffered a loss through the failure of any corporate bank or trust company under the supervision of this department since 1912.

"The average rate of dividends paid by trust companies during the year 1923 was 12.45 per cent. and the average rate paid by banks was 12.49 per cent. Less than ten banks and trust companies which have been in business for a period longer than three years failed to pay a dividend during the year 1923.

"During the year there were organized under the State banking law 23 banks, 6 trust companies, 4 private banks, 5 investment companies, 11 safe deposit companies, 3 savings banks, 11 savings and loan associations and 6 credit unions.

"Unless something unforeseen happens, it is expected that all the institutions in liquidation at the present time will be closed out before the next annual report."

CHASE AUTO SIXTEEN MILES

State Troopers Capture Speeder With 400 Quarts of Liquor.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Losing a sixteen-mile race to State Troopers last night, Herbert McGee of Lowville, Lewis County, 31 years old, surrendered at the point of a gun and was held in the city jail here today under $25,000 bail on a charge of illegally transporting liquor. Four hundred quarts of assorted liquors and the touring car he was driving fell into the hands of the State police. He will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Fred H. Dunham tomorrow.

When a detail of four troopers flagged him with a red lantern at midnight last night to arrest him for speeding at Stafford, six miles east of Batavia, he tried to run one of the officers down, it is charged. The State police, two in an automobile and two on a motorcycle chased him to this city and a Batavia motorcycle policeman joined in the pursuit. McGee went through the city at a rate of fifty miles an hour and was overtaken west of East Pembroke, eight miles from Batavia.

THE STORY OF A HEN

And a Marvelous Egg, Which Is Printed as Received Without Affidavits.

Special to The New York Times.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Dec. 30.—A big black hen, owned by Mrs. Samuel Doyle of Smithsburg, near this city, celebrated Woodrow Wilson's sixty-seventh birthday Friday by laying an immense double egg, on one side of which is a "portrait" of the former President, while on the other side is a perfect "W."

The egg, which Mrs. Doyle found in her chicken coop yesterday, is 7¾ inches lengthwise, while around the smaller portion it is 6¾ inches. The freak is being sent to Mrs. Wilson.

THE John Wanamaker STORE

Formerly A. T. Stewart

Astor Place at Ninth Street — Store Hours 9 to 5:30

From the Founder's Writings

Frederick the Great

once sent a sword as a present to George Washington with the inscription:

"From the oldest soldier to the greatest"

It was a tribute, not a reward. Washington's true reward was in the knowledge that he had faithfully done what was before him to do.

The 1069 vocations in which men and women engage are 1069 royal paths to greatness. The man who says there is no future for him in what he is doing is simply failing to follow his path.

One hundred years ago there was no such thing as greatness in merchandising; the average shopkeeper was only a little better than a peddler.

It looked then as if the ironmaster would always wear a leather apron, and the manufacturer always carry a dinner pail.

Almost every path leads straight ahead to a worthy goal, and the heart that beats high with courage is sure to win.

We are pleased to hear visitors say, and read in the newspapers, many complimentary things touching this Store as an illustration of the changes going on in the Mercantile World.

(Signed) John Wanamaker

STEWART ROTUNDA

The John Wanamaker Cadet Choir

(150 voices)

J. THURSTON NOE, Director

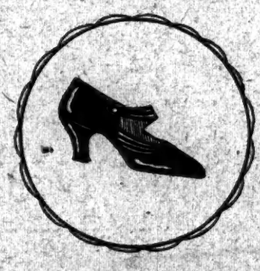
Program of

Christmas Carols

Repeated by Request

This evening at 5 P. M.

Street Floor, Old Building



"C'est Paris" Pump

On the Avenue Victor Emmanuel—just a few doors from that delightful and thoroughly Parisian restaurant, "Le Cabaret"—is the charming little shop of M. Greco who designed the new "C'est Paris" slipper.

During the season one sees many smart Parisiennes in this little shop, for M Greco gives his patrons his individual attention. First he measures the foot and then when madame has it fitted, he does the fitting himself. This attention the well-dressed Parisienne appreciates because she requires the services of an artist and master maker.

We have carefully reproduced this one-strap shoe. Every detail is perfect even to the narrow inlays of contrasting leather that decorate in an unusual way the cleverly designed strap and the vamp

Brown suede with brown kidskin; black suede with patent leather; patent leather with French blue kidskin; $18.

First Floor, Old Building

IN THE AUDITORIUM

Today at 2:30 P. M.

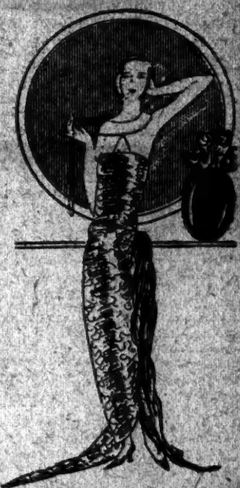
Holiday Dances

Fifty Young Dancers under the direction of

The Mansfield Studios of Dancing

First Gallery, New Building

Dinner and Dance Frocks for New Year's Eve



Misses' $55 and $75 Frocks at $35

The types of frocks that were chosen with greatest enthusiasm by young girls home from school or college for holiday festivities.

Chiffon velvets, satins, fine crepes in gorgeous colorings.

The graciously slender frock, the tiered frock, the beautifully draped frock—every silhouette of which Miss 14 to 20 has spoken her approval is included in this group.

Frocks with deep fringes, with rhinestones, with beads, with embroidery, or those elaborate enough in their own colorings or combinations of materials.

Women's $55 to $85 Gowns at $45

Beaded chiffon and crepe frocks with fascinating metal girdles, and sometimes a large chou of soft delicately tinted feathers, or a rhinestone cabochon.

A few metal brocade and silk crepe frocks in exquisite colorings.

$65—originally $95 to $145

A perfectly stunning bouffant frock of gold-colored taffeta printed in a charming flower pattern; a quite Spanish-looking metal brocade frock, trimmed with brilliantly colored velvet ribbons; velvet and lace frocks with every detail perfect!

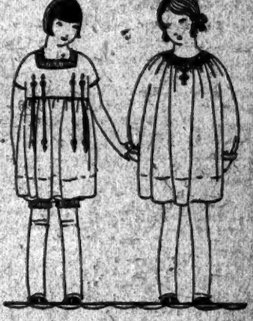
$95—originally $165 to $295

Copies and adaptations of gowns from leading French dressmakers—exquisite metal laces, stunning metal brocades, velvets, beaded or plain—in the silhouettes preferred by the smartest women on both continents.

Second Floor, Old Building

FOR NEW YEAR'S PARTIES!

Girls' Frocks of Imported Challis, $12.75 to $16.75



Adorable smock frocks with matching bloomers. Quaint short-waisted frocks with little old fashioned shirred tuckers—and pantalettes! Long-waisted frocks, too, with full side pleated skirts. Beautifully fashioned, by a charming French woman, of fine imported challis in smart checked and figured patterns.

Olive green, rust, French blue, gray-blue, flame, navy blue and white checked in pretty high colors. Sizes 6 to 10.

Second Floor, Old Building

$14 Tea Sets of Thin Lustre China, $9.75

100 of these sets with which to make delightful the tea-hour through all the New Year. Egg-shell thin imported china, with the lustre finish which is the favorite with so many people. Two color schemes—blue outside, pearl within; tan outside, blue within.

23 pieces in each set

Tea-pot, sugar-bowl, cream pitcher, six cups and saucers and six tea-plates—in generous size.

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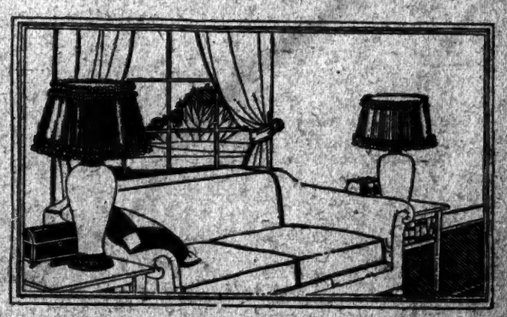

Symmetry and Distinction in

Fine Lamps in Pairs

Table lamps in pairs are particularly satisfying in the scheme of certain rooms. A repeated note of beauty adds balance and rhythm as well as more of fine line, light and color.

At either end of a long center table, on sofa tables, or consoles or on small pairs of tables—there are countless ways of placing lamps in pairs to realize their full effect.

Lamps of Lenox China

When the lamps to be used are of fine Lenox China with exquisite shades created individually for them, the effect is one which the most beautifully designed rooms can afford to seek.

In exquisite colors—peach-blow, pink, sky-gray, gazelle, fruit-green mirage black, old blue, with gilt-bronze mountings in restrained designs and with shades, which, in delicate taffeta silks, filmy crepes and chiffons, silk-lined, complete the harmony which the lamps begin.

Lamps, $25 to $70 each. Shades, $14 to $120 each.

Second Gallery, New Building

PASSION PLAYERS END THEIR VISIT

Off Tomorrow to See the Greater America With Kind Thoughts of New York.

CITY—ES IST GROSSARTIG!

They Came Here in a Dark Hour to Seek Help and Found It, They Say, and They Are Grateful.

Tomorrow night the Oberammergau village at the Grand Central Palace will vanish with the old year. The little painted peasant houses will be knocked down; the wood carvings and pottery will be laid in their cases; the lights will be put out. But for years the thousands who have flocked to the Grand Central Palace, crowding about the men from Oberammergau, will remember those artisan-actors. And for their part the players say that the experiences of this great country will be unforgetable.

"The dear American people," a gentle smile played about the lips of Anton Lang—Christus—as he lingered over the words yesterday. "I can never express my gratitude to them. From my heart I thank the New Yorkers for their cooperation and generosity. As for this great city, it is bewildering. The giant buildings, the ceaseless coming and going, the magnificent scale on which things are done, all are so overpowering that I can scarcely express an opinion of them. But none of this bigness impresses me as does the bigness of the American people's heart."

Andreas Lang Sr. [Saint Peter], veteran of all the players, arose from his work bench and stepped out of his house. The shaggy gray hair and beard, the blue coat enveloping his sturdy figure helped the illusion that it was indeed the Saint upon whom the church was founded who was speaking:

"I have a message for the American people. Tell them that we Oberammergauers came here with an unfaltering faith in God. We came in our darkest hour to seek help and we have found it. He has helped us in our undertaking. We can no longer be doubting Thomases, for He is in our midst, and even as He bade Thomas lay his hand upon His wound, so He has proven the reality of His presence to us. We sought our Lord and have found Him here in a foreign land. His love has guided us here among these fine American people at whose hands we have met with nothing but kindness. We thank you, all our friends, those of you who have been so generous, those who have grasped our hands with such warmth, those who have helped us.

"And now a word for your city. Es ist grossartig—colossal! The buildings seem higher to me than my beloved Bavarian Alps; only here it is easier to get on top, over there I must use my own feet. In New York it is generally a woman's hand that takes one up and brings one down to earth again."

Andreas Lang Sr. is an enthusiastic mountaineer and a licensed guide as the medals worn on his breast prove. "Your Wolkenkratzer (skyscrapers) are very praktisch. They provide light and air for thousands upon thousands to work in, and, too, they are beautiful. They are the one really new thing in modern art. To be sure they are based on the principles of Roman, Greek and Gothic architecture, but all art is evolution. If you ask me what I have enjoyed most—mind you I am not saying what impressed me most—it was the performance of the Chester Mysteries at the Greenwich Village Theatre on Christmas night. Das war schön!"

"Oh yes, we have seen much," said Guido Mayr [Judas], "we have been to the top of the Woolworth Building, we have been aboard the greatest of your battleships, we have even penetrated the sanctum of your great wizard Edison. To me your America is like Fairyland. I felt it as I watched the buildings looming out of the mist when the Reliance steamed up the harbor. It seemed to me that magic hands had fashioned the buildings that raised their heads to the sky like towers on an enchanted palace. Next I saw "Liberty." She held her torch on high to greet us. I better than all the rest, for have I not played the rôle of the arch-betrayer, can understand and appreciate your great country that never betrays its freedom, its ideals, its friends."

The Oberammergauers with their exhibition will leave here on Wednesday for Cleveland where they will remain five days. Their tour includes Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, Baltimore, Washington, Philadelphia and Boston.

WANT THEATRE CLOSED.

Newark Preachers Object to Sunday Show in Residence District.

A meeting of the South End Ministers' Association of Newark will be held Thursday afternoon to discuss the refusal of Director of Public Safety W. J. Brennan to close the Weequahic Theatre at 1,025 Bergen Street, Newark on Sundays.

According to the ministers the Weequahic is the only theatre in any residential section of the city where Sunday performances are given. Several theatres in the business section of the city are open on Sundays, but there has been no objection to these. The church element is ready to invoke the "Blue Laws" to close all theatres in the city if necessary. The theatres in the business district turn over part of their Sunday receipts to charity.

NEW YORK'S LEADING THEATRES AND SUCCESSES

NEW AMSTERDAM THEA., W. 42d St. EVERY EVENING POPULAR PRICE MATINEES WED & SAT. Entirely New! NOW Greatest of All ZIEGFELD FOLLIES Nation's Holiday Show Supreme NIGHTLY 450 SEATS AT $1.50

KLAW THEATRE, West 45th St. Evenings 8:20 Mats. Tomorrow, Wed. & Sat., 2:20 "MEET THE WIFE" With MARY ROLAND IN A BRILLIANT COMEDY

"NEIGHBORS" "HILARIOUS COMEDY"—Burns Mantle EQUITY 48th ST. THEATRE, Eve. 8:30. Mats. TOMORROW and SAT.

EMPIRE B'way at 40th Street. Evenings 8:30 Matinees Tomorrow, Wed. and Sat. MARY NASH in 'THE LADY' "Enjoyed it more than any play since 'Bab.'" —Percy Hammond, Tribune.

3d MONTH DALY'S 63d ST. WHITE CARGO MATS. TO-MORROW WED. & SAT. 2:30.

COLONIAL, B'way, 62d St. GEORGE WHITE Presents MILLER & LYLES in "Runnin' Wild" "Better than any two white shows on Broadway."—S. Jay Kaufman, Telegram. MATINEE EVERY SATURDAY. MIDNIGHT SHOW TONIGHT.

PUNCH & JUDY Thea., 49th, E. of B'way Evenings 8:30 TIME with ROLAND YOUNG (Courtesy of Winthrop Ames) Mats. Tom'w, Fri. & Sat., 2:30.

THE BIGGEST OF ALL COHAN MUSICAL HITS GEORGE M. COHAN'S COMEDIANS in "THE RISE OF ROSIE O'REILLY" THE GREAT AMERICAN SONG AND DANCE SHOW LIBERTY THEA., West 42d St. Eve. 8:30. Mats. TOMORROW, WED. & SAT. Holiday Mat. Tomorrow at 2:30

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RITZ 48th, West of B'way. Evs. 8:30 | Last 6 Mats. TOMOR'W & SAT., 2:30 | Times LEO DITRICHSTEIN in "THE BUSINESS WIDOW," with LOLA FISHER

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LUXOR, Egypt, Dec. 30.—The removal of the roof sections of the great shrine in the tomb of Tut-ankh-Amen has now provided better opportunity than hitherto available for the viewing of the linen pall which covers the second shrine. So far the front part has been practically all that has been visible of this covering, but the open top now reveals the whole of the pall with the exception of the portion hanging down the back and sides of the inner shrine.

At the rear of the inner shrine stands a frame similar to that found in front of its doors, with a connecting beam running along the whole length of its top, and the pall can be seen stretched across the structure, which is plentifully decorated in gilt, but like the front part which has already been removed to the laboratory the portion of the pall actually covering the roof of the inner shrine has collapsed under its own weight and that of its gilt rosettes.

Still at least one-half of the top of the fabric, all of which has turned a dull brown, remains in position with the rosettes adhering and one can get a very good idea of what the pall was like when it was originally put in place 3,300 years ago.

The central beam is higher than the outer corners of the frame, the pall is arched, which gives the structure a remarkable booth-like appearance. Somehow the sight of this contrivance, with its elongated design and gilded understructure, and underneath the beautiful inner shrine with its precious contents, at once turns one's thought to the Bible. Much in this manner, it strikes one, must the Ark of the Israelites have been sheltered when it rested in the wilderness.

As a matter of fact, there is in many respects a curious resemblance to the Tabernacle of the Covenant described in Exodus. Sepulchral shrines like that of Tut-ankh-Amen are but replicas of the shrines erected in those days for the prevailing deities in the Egyptian temples, and it is indeed quite conceivable that as the children of Israel had just emerged from bondage in Egypt, the people in presenting their offering with which they were familiar, were taken as the basic model when the time came to design a place of assembly for their own deity.

The removal of the roof of the shrine was successfully accomplished last week. Although it was a difficult business, it was only part of a greater problem confronting the expedition, and there still remains the most delicate operation of dismantling the outer shrine before any part of it can be taken to penetrate the inner shrine and elucidate the mystery it conceals. A program was tentatively outlined which provided for the handling of first, the pall, then the handsome "torus" moulding and cornice, and finally the sides of the shrine itself.

The question of the stability of the outer shrine once the binding formed by the roof had been removed was complicated by the removal of the pall, which in itself was by no means an easy task, owing to the fragile condition of the fabric. Before any attempt could be made to deal with it supports had to be put up at each corner to hold up the sides of the shrine, which it was feared might otherwise collapse like a pack of cards during the work on the upper portion. The "torus" molding and cornice had also to be protected on top with cotton lined boards to take the strain during the handling of the pall.

All this occupied the best part of this morning and when the pall was tackled, a pole specially prepared to take the length of the pall was placed in position on top of the cornice across one side, and a couple of boards placed alongside to permit the workers to manipulate the pole. The end of the pall was then carefully gathered up round the pole, which was gradually rolled toward the opposite side of the shrine, the boards being moved backward as the operation progressed.

From time to time the rolling was interrupted to permit the collection or plucking off of metal rosettes in order to lighten the strain and to prevent their tearing the already fragile material.

The removal by this process has now been satisfactorily completed and the pall will in due course be transferred to the laboratory, where it will be treated by Dr. Alexander Scott. The rosettes will then again be sown on consolidated material before it is packed.

4,000 HEAR McCORMACK.

2,000 More Unable to Gain Admission to the Manhattan.

John McCormack gave his eighth recital of the season yesterday afternoon at the Manhattan Opera House for an audience of more than 4,000. Of this number 700 heard the concert from the stage and 120 from the orchestra pit. More than 2,000 persons were unable to gain admission. Many friends of the tenor were present who had heard him on his first appearance in this country fifteen seasons ago on the same stage, when he appeared in the rôle of Alfredo in "Traviata" with Mme. Tetrazzini and Mario Sammarco. Captain and Mrs. Ernest A. Ingram were the guests of Mrs. McCormack. Arthur Hammerstein was also in the audience.

The program contained the usual group of Irish songs, which aroused the audience to a high point of enthusiasm, as well as other songs familiar to Mr. McCormack's lists. Lauri Kennedy, 'cellist, and Dorothy Kennedy, pianist, also appeared, and Edwin Schneider played the accompaniments for the songs. The program which Mr. McCormack has arranged for next Sunday will be his last in New York this season.

APPLAUD MORIZ ROSENTHAL

Viennese Pianist Plays With the State Symphony Orchestra.

Moriz Rosenthal was recalled seven times to the Metropolitan stage at yesterday's matinee concert of the State Symphony Orchestra, when the eminent Viennese pianist was heard with Mr. Stransky's "Statesmen" in the popular Tchaikovsky concerto. Mr. Rosenthal, more than most pianists, succeeds in incorporating the piano as an instrument in the orchestral ensemble. Dwarfed to view by the great stage, as the band were also, he emerged titan-like in Tchaikovsky's sweeping harmonies and thapsodic solo flights. The applause was in proportion.

Mr. Stransky opened his Metropolitan series of six matinees with Dvorak's "New World" symphony, and after the solo work he added Tchaikovsky's "Overture 1812."

Miss Gordani Sings Farewell.

Miss Gordani gave a "farewell" recital at the Punch and Judy Theatre last evening, singing in costume both Hungarian and Louisiana ballads, with others Russian, Jewish and American, Scotch and "Old Jacobite" airs. Gordon Hampson assisted at the piano in works of Chopin, Liszt, Albeniz and Granados. Miss Gordani has uncommon facility in imitating American negro folksongs as sung on their native heath, and these and her French Creole pieces were the audience's favorites of her program.

BRITISH HEAR CONCERT PLAYED IN PITTSBURGH

Amateurs All Over England Enjoy Music Broadcast More Than 3,000 Miles.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—The one subject of conversation among British wireless amateurs today was the success of last night's broadcasting experiments from the Westinghouse Electric Company's station at East Pittsburgh, Pa., and the fact is noted that the transmitting power of this station is considerably less than that of any of the British broadcasting companies' stations, the wave length of one hundred meters that was used being very low.

The results were a great improvement on similar experiments made earlier in the day, and listeners up and down the country on all kinds of sets, from expensive multi-valve to those of simple crystal type which cost only a few shillings, had the interesting experience of enjoying uninterrupted for a half hour the program of instrumental music by the Westinghouse Band.

The music broadcast from the other side of the Atlantic and amplified after its first reception in this country, came through with remarkable clearness and strength. There was occasional fading, but at other times the signals, so far as London was concerned, came in with strength equal to that of ordinary transmission from the London station. There was also a certain amount of distortion due to fluctuation of wave length, but the notes of a cornet solo came through with extraordinary sweetness, considering the distance they had traveled.

Among musical items broadcast were the "Turkish Patrol," selections from "Tannhäuser" and "William Tell," Brahms's Hungarian studies and a Mexican love song. The voice of the announcer, speaking in a studio over 3,000 miles away, was very distinct, and every word of his statement regarding the tests which had been carried out by his company in transatlantic telephony and news they had received of their program of the previous night being heard all over the British Isles could be easily followed. THE NEW YORK TIMES correspondent heard very clearly the announcer's voice through a loud speaker attached to a homemade two-valve set.

The message was first picked up by a receiving set installed at Biggin Hill aerodrome and employing six high frequency one detector and two low frequency valves. From there it was relayed by telephone wire to London, and thence retransmitted to various broadcasting stations.

IRENE FRANKLIN APPEARS.

Strikes the Human Note at Her Debut in Concert.

Irene Franklin, intent on reaching for something "bigger and finer" than vaudeville and the revue, appeared at the Times Square Theatre last night in the first of a series of "concerts," designed to cover about four Sunday nights and the same number of Friday afternoons. Assisted only by an accompanist and a few introductory words from Robert E. Pendleton, Miss Franklin made herself responsible for an entire program.

The results were promising in the extreme, and with a little more practice in the fashioning of concert programs Miss Franklin should presently find herself well established in the new field. The ground covered was considerable, and included not a little material already familiar to Miss Franklin's admirers, and the more welcome therefore. Last night's audience was not an overflowing one (it is uphill work in the beginning, this concert business), but those present found themselves consistently entertained and not infrequently moved by the singer's unquestioned artistry.

Miss Franklin is astonishingly successful striking the human note, and this, in concert as in vaudeville, is likely to be her greatest appeal. "The Waitress at Childs" and "Mrs. Gasby" revealed her at her best last night, while two numbers by Hilaire Belloc and a group of songs by Dorothy Parker were also far above the customary level.

WELCOME FOR HACKETT.

Celebration at City Hall on Actor's Return From Europe Jan. 8.

A civic celebration will be held at the City Hall on Jan. 8 to welcome James K. Hackett, after an absence of three years in England and France, where he has been honored for his Shakespearean productions and decorated by the French Government with the Cross of the Legion of Honor. Mr. Hackett will sail from Cherbourg on Jan. 2 on the Majestic.

A committee of one hundred prominent men and women is arranging for the City Hall reception and a further one at the City College. A dinner in his honor will also be given at the Waldorf-Astoria on Jan. 13.

The organization committee in charge of the plans is made up of Miss Edith Ellis, Chairman; Frank W. Richardson, Miss Olive Oliver, Donald A. Roberts, Axel O. Chilsenq, W. M. K. Olcott, Mrs. Lavinia Hanton, Justice Robert F. Wagner, Mrs. Amedee Dubuc, Louis Evan Shipman, Edward J. Kelly and Robert Ingersoll Brown.

PLAY SCHROEDER'S "PAN."

Henry Hadley Conducts the Philharmonic in Tone Poem.

William Schroeder was in the crowded house that heard his tone poem, "Pan," produced yesterday afternoon in the second of Henry Hadley's Philharmonic programs at Carnegie Hall. The work is short, sharply characterized and effective, and the audience applauded until the Brooklyn musician went on the stage to bow. It was his first work given by a symphonic orchestra, although he has written songs and incidental music for successful plays.

Efrem Zimbalist, following his own recent recital, appeared as soloist in Tchaikovsky's violin concerto and was also warmly greeted. In lighter vein, Mr. Hadley gave the Gretry-Mottl "Cephale et Procris" and the Tchaikovsky "Nutcracker" ballets.

"HELL-BENT FER HEAVEN."

Hatcher Hughes's Play Acted Before an Invited Audience.

"Hell-Bent for Heaven," a play by Hatcher Hughes, was played in the Klaw Theatre last night before an invited audience, preparatory to its first public performance at the same theatre next Friday afternoon. The play, which has been produced by Marc Klaw, Inc., is a story of life in the Blue Ridge Mountains. It was favorably received by last night's audience.

The company includes Augustin Duncan, George Abbott, John F. Hamilton, Glenn Anders and Clara Blandick. The play will be offered for matinees only, and will be reviewed in THE TIMES following the first public performance.

THEATRICAL NOTES.

"The Gift," recently tried on tour, will reopen in Easton, Pa., next Saturday night, with Pedro de Cordoba in the leading male rôle. It will continue on tour until a New York theatre is obtained.

"The Song and Dance Man," with George M. Cohan in the cast, will open at the Hudson tonight.

Florenz Ziegfeld announces an 8:20 o'clock curtain at the premiere of "Kid Boots" at the Mari Carroll tonight.

Lee Shubert will be in the cast of "Innocent Eyes," coming to the Ambassador.

"The Business Widow," with Leo Ditrichstein and Lola Fisher, will begin a Chicago engagement a week hence.

Like the other vaudeville houses, the Hippodrome will offer three complete shows today, the evening performances will begin at 7:30 and 11 o'clock.

Irene Triesch will repeat her performances of Strindberg's "Dance of Death" at the Princess Theatre next Sunday afternoon. The play will be given in German.

The Stage Children's Fund, Inc., gave its annual entertainment last night at the Casino Theatre. A revue, "Bunk Bum of 1923," was presented by a cast of children.

THE SCREEN

John and Priscilla.

THE COURTSHIP OF MYLES STANDISH, with Charles Ray, Enid Bennett, E. Alyn Warren, William Sullivan, Joseph Dowling, Sam De Grasse, Stanton Heck, Tom Wilson, Norval McGregor, Hector Dion, Frank Farrington, Thomas Holding, James McElhern, Raymond Haller, Max Asher, Sidney Bracy, Marion Dixon, Charlotte Pierce, Gertrude Pedler, Adamae Vaughn, Robert Kerton, Al Richmond, Ted Stewart and others. Special musical score. At the Central.

Charles Ray's greatest film effort, Longfellow's "The Courtship of Myles Standish," was presented last night before a brilliant gathering in the Central Theatre. Regarding the spelling of the first name of the hardened soldier and Captain of Plymouth, who could summon a fortress to surrender, but quailed before the ordeal of proposing to a pretty woman, the producers insist that in their research work in Massachusetts they discovered through a tombstone that Longfellow was incorrect in using the spelling of "Miles." Incidentally this is the second of the great poet's works to find its way to the screen. His "Evangeline" was produced in a worthy way about three years ago.

Mr. Ray, who plays the part of John Alden, has obviously devoted much time and study to this ambitious film, which in many points is exceedingly fine. He also deserves many plaudits for the faithful manner in which many of the sequences are pictured, and also for putting forth an effort which great throngs will love to see and which they will find will bring them again to the poem in type form. When they read once more of the errand of the faithful stripling with the hurrying pen they will be filled with enthusiasm for this screen feature as Mr. Ray so ably enacts the lover proposing for his soldier friend, whose beard was likened by the poet to a hedge in November flaked with patches of snow. There are numerous other scenes in this beautiful production that call forth the undying lines of this glorious epic. And not in a single instance has Mr. Ray interpolated anything that might be construed as absurd comedy or hokum padding.

Often the scenes are compelling, the storm at sea being especially effective. It is true that in some of the conceptions of the deserted ship at sea the miniature is not impressive, and it would have been better to leave it out. Without quibbling we might also say that the painted back-drop in several of the first portions of the film reveals a sameness, a shore continuity, a dull, unliar triangular cloud. But after all, the task of putting forth this film has been stupendous and extremely difficult, and license should be permitted just as it is on the stage. Unusual pains have been taken to make the story interesting without motion picture heroics or by flood scenes and fires.

It is true we felt a desire to view the Mayflower riding at anchor, to bring home the idea that she was a ship. We wanted to see her floating on the water and moving figures at her bulwarks, but one can't have everything when a producer is fliming a film dealing with far-back 1620.

This picture opens with a glimpse of the Mayflower quitting at Southampton, and then one is introduced to Charles Ray in the character of John Alden, the adventurer. The stubborn, half mutinous crew is shown flinging the knuckle bones, and a wonderful lack of the tedium of the voyage is given, and the gladsome feeling enjoyed by the little throng at sighting land. You are shown the tattooed bodies of the piratical sailors, who scowl and sneer that praying dogs cast a curse over this ship.

In some of the sequences there is not enough action and too much posing, which applies to Mr. Ray as well as other members of the cast.

We were also aghast that when Alden discovered his friend John Howland had been swept overboard, he should tarry so long with the complaining and threatening men while the victim was being banged against the sturdy rudder by the angry seas.

Attacks by redskins are shown, with the eventual smoking of the pipe of peace, and then the first Thanksgiving. The dismal landing is dramatically pictured, and also the gallant efforts of those splendid gentlemen. There are a number of touches that make everybody in this film human, and their costumes —the men in their "doublet and hose and boots of Cordovan leather," and the women in fit-fitting homespun and white collars—are artistically and carefully designed.

Coming to the scene in which the redoubtable Standish has his qualms about approaching Priscilla, the Puritan maiden, with a view to asking her to be his wife, and his sudden renunciation of his favorite adage regarding doing a thing yourself if you want it done well, one is distinctly impressed with both characters, Standish being cleverly impersonated by E. Alyn Warren. You have the "stripling with his hurrying pen" and the soldier of more years likening himself to Caesar because they both fought in Flanders and also because of the familiarity with their men. The so-called hurrying pen is writing "Priscilla" on paper of a letter and then scribbling it on one side. Standish stalks back and forth in the room, awkwardly approaching the subject of Alden's errand.

Just as good as this speaking sequence is the set of scenes in which Alden—and here Ray is famous in his acting—goes forth reluctantly but faithfully on his unsympathetic errand. Enid Bennett, fair and graceful, is inspiring as Priscilla. You can see her "dumb with delight" as she imagines that John has come to speak for himself, and her being "mute with amazement and sorrow" after the stammering John has finished the message entrusted to him by the flamboyant Captain of Plymouth, who can trace his ancestry back to Hugh Standish of Duxbury Hall, Lancashire. There is the spinning-wheel—and the maiden's eyes overrunning with laughter" and the fancied tremulous voice uttering those words used every day: "Why don't you speak for yourself, John?"

Ray is an artist, a film producer who clings to his story, an actor of genius and fine appeal, who like any human is going to err here and there, but who does not seek to make his task easier by fooling out for nonsensical exaggerations of cheap appeal. If you like Lobg-fellow, if you like love dwelling for a couple of hours upon the ladies and gentlemen of centuries ago and the love story of Priscilla and John, you will never regret having spent the time in the Central Theatre and watched this photo-poem till the last title which tells that they lived happily and had nine children.

The cast is too numerous to mention, but suffice it to say that the combined performance is capable and restrained.

The Marriage Certificate.

WEST OF THE WATER TOWER, with Ernest Torrence, Glenn Hunter, May McAvoy, George Fawcett, Sam Pitts, Charles Abbe, Anne Schroeder, Riley Hatch, Allen Baker, Jack Terry, Edward Elkas, Joe Burke, Gladys Feldman and Alice Mann. At the Rivoli.

Life in a certain small town, with its bigoted leaders, its horribly dull entertainments, the tittle-tattle of garrulous parsons and the temptations flung in the path of the youthful inhabitants, is fairly well shown in the film adaptation of Homer Croy's eyebrow-lifting volume, "West of the Water Tower," the chief entertainment this week at the Rivoli. Will H. Hays opposed the producing of this story, but the picture experts were insistent concerning its worth, and they have culled from the book a photoplay which for the most part is not uninteresting.

Of course, no production with Glenn Hunter and Ernest Torrence could fail to have certain merits, as they invariably give excellent impersonations in which they show an actual study of their parts. Mr. Torrence was the heavy in "Tol'able David" and is to be seen as the king of the beggars in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame." He officiated as Cousin Egbert in "Ruggles of Red Gap," and is one of the principal characters in "The Covered Wagon." He will also be seen in the leading rôle of "The Mountebank" when it is filmed. Although his facial make-up varies but little in the diversity of parts he enacts, his impeccable care to clothe the character as it should be always makes him quite impressive. In "West of the Water Tower" he is a dour parson, who seldom smiles and makes his profession and mission painfully worrying. He reminded us of the Highland minister who one sunny Sunday morning met one of his congregation who had neglected his soul for golf. The golfer hazarded that it was a fine day, whereupon the parson expostulated with severity: "It's a fine day to be sayin' it's a fine day!"

The Rev. Adrian Plummer (Mr. Torrence) wears false cuffs of the round, old-fashioned style, and garters on his shirt sleeves, the solemnity of his black clothes set off by a heavy gold watch-chain and a loosely tied white bow. It is almost a relief to see this glum minister transformed into a house-painter seeking odd jobs. He, quite unnaturally, sticks the town after advertising his wild oat and the strange adventure of his son with an atheist's daughter, meandering around the streets in besmirched overalls. Certainly he is philosophical, and the new work appears to inspire him with greater interest than did the preaching of the gospel.

Glenn Hunter portrays the minister's son, Guy, a promising youth, enthusiastic about Abraham Lincoln, who goes to the local picture house obviously when he can't find much diversion. When he intentionally seeks some distraction with bedizened beauties by riding with them in an automobile, he becomes frightfully bored, so that one of the highly painted and powdered creatures tells him: "Get down to earth and give me a light."

Mr. Hunter is sincere and capable in this part, and he impresses one as finding in this sort of wickedness most tedious, especially when the girl with the poolroom insists upon sitting on his knees, her short skirts revealing a superfluity of silk stockings.

Guy, in one of the sequences, is shown delivering a lecture on Lincoln, listened to by an interested but uninteresting throng. Later they have a luncheon box auction for charity and one of the boxes is bid up to $14, and because Bee Chew, daughter of the wealthy agnostic, signifies her desire for it, Guy buys it in.

They are married and when the child is born, they are told that there is no marriage certificate. This revelation brings about the minister's denunciation of his son and exposure of himself. Why they could not find the certificate, or the Squire who performed the marriage, is a secret between the scenario writer and the director. To mend matters this important paper is brought to Guy by the Squire himself.

You have at the end of this effort the child of three saying: "Leggo my mother, bad man," all of which is highly and weak, especially the subtitles dealing with the child's utterances.

May McAvoy plays the rôle of Bee. She is attractive and sympathetic, but in a semi-closeup a praying scene, it strikes one as strange to observe the thick make-up on her eyelashes.

The comedy-relief is brought out by the town drunkard, and appears to be hammered into the production, and not really funny at that. However, as a study of some small town this story of Junction City, Mo., has entertaining periods, especially those in which Mr. Torrence and Mr. Hunter appear.

Other Films.

The Capitol film presentation this week is called "The Rendezvous."

"Her Temporary Husband" is to be seen at the Strand.

Madge Kennedy in "Three Miles Out" is at the Rialto.

"The Acquittal" is at the Broadway, and "A Lady of Quality" is being held over for a second week at the Cameo.

FEODOR CHALIAPIN SINGS.

Basso Runs the Gamut of Emotion in Russian Songs.

Feodor Chaliapin took his season's leave of a capacity audience at Carnegie Hall last evening, following the Russian basso's ten operatic appearances with the Metropolitan, the last of which had been put off by illness. Fully recovered, he seemed in commanding form last night, his robust voice running the gamut of emotion in Russian songs.

Schubert's "Doppelganger" also drew a roar of applause among "foreign" texts, chosen on impulse from his list and announced as he sang. From the operas which he plans to give with his own company next year he sang airs of "Boris" and "Prince Igor," adding Nadeshkin's "O Could I Express in Song" and Tchaikovsky's "Nightingale."

Olga Petrova as Entertainer.

Not content with her nightly labors at the Frolic Theatre in "Hurricane," Olga Petrova last night appeared at that playhouse in the first of a series of Sunday night entertainments. She sang three groups of songs and offered in addition a brief scene from her current play. The evening was rounded out by musical numbers by the Hjarnowski Trio and Percy Carr.

THE PLAY

By JOHN CORBIN.

All-Negro Religious Drama.

ROSEANNE, a play in three acts, by Nan Bagby Stephens. At the Greenwich Village Theatre.

Roseanne	Chrystal Herne
Son	Blaine Cordner
Leola	Kathleen Comegys
Rodney	Murray Bennett
Cicero Brown	John Harrington
Sis Tampy Snow	Marie Taylor
Sis Lindy Gray	Tracy L'Engle
Winnie Caldwell	Irene Caldwell
Alec Grey	Robert Strange
Dacas Snow	Leslie M. Hunt
Dot Randolph	Grace Stephens
Selena Trefil	Rosa Powell
Ben Cunningham	Mary Vandiver
Polly Satterwaite	Marguerite Harding
Vashti Gatewood	Alice Busey
Pearly Gray	Emma Gadsden
Andy Johnson	Sterling Holloway
Normal Coffee	Chappell Corey Jr.
Zach Toomer	Grover Burgess
Morningjory Trimble	Conway Sawyer
Uncle Dick Landrum	Brown Bates
Uncle Stork	Fleming Ward
Al Shall	Albert Barber
Frenchie Fowler	Elizabeth Braxton
Eliza Holt	Robert Craik

Religious sincerity was again called in question last Saturday night at the Greenwich Village Theatre. Chrystal Herne, at the head of a cast that seemed to be all-white beneath their make-up, appeared in an all-negro drama, which turned upon the, so to speak, doctrinal irregularities of the minister.

Cicero Brown had been a farmhand who felt the call to exhort and save souls. The play finds him idolized by the "Ladies Aid Society" and especially by the pious and virtuous Roseanne. But power has quite turned his head. Treating the Lady's Aid with the manners of a Moro Sultan, he dispatches them upon trivial errands—and thus makes an opportunity to steal the money with which Roseanne is to pay off the mortgage. This deed involves Roseanne's adopted daughter, Leola, and results in her death. So we come to the great scene, in which Roseanne, torn between grief for Leola and rage at the shattering of her ideal of the Reverend Cicero, breaks in upon a meeting of Mount Zion Church, denounces the pastor and incites the congregation to lynch him.

This church scene has many of the elements of drama. The Reverend Cicero browbeats his "Brethren and Sisters" by name, until they "come across" to the foot of the pulpit and deposit their voluntary offerings." Then, by means of promises of heaven and threats of hell, he rouses them to an emotional hysteria which brings men and women both groveling to the floor. On the heels of this they all sing "spirituals"—an exercise that seemed especially to amuse the audience. And finally, the climax enables Chrystal Herne to do a particularly fine bit of rousing melodrama, in which she is ably seconded by John Harrington, who plays the Reverend Cicero.

Interesting as the play is, however, it cannot be said that it is convincing. It is not merely that these are obviously white folks playing at ignorant and primitive emotions, as if with their tongues in their cheeks. In the writing of the dialogue also there is something less, or more, than realism. Often it is positively literary—or, rather, litterateque. Even when Mr. Harrington characterizes most ably and Miss Herne turns on all the finest stops of her voice, the most passionate intensity of her gestures, the second quality is somehow lacking—and for such a play that is the chief, perhaps the only, excuse.

FRANZ LEHAR AT WORK ON OPERA FOR AMERICA

"Romance" Destined for Metropolitan and Jeritza—Has Operette for Vienna.

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VIENNA, Dec. 30.—Franz Lehar, composer of "The Merry Widow," is putting the last touches to his new operetta "Chocio," which will be brought out in Vienna in February. Lehar hopes to take the new operetta later to America.

He is also commencing to set "Romance" to music for the Metropolitan Opera of New York, the chief rôle being destined for Jeritza next season.

Lehar regrets that his works of the last few years have not been staged in America. He explained that since the war a certain progress has been made in Austria in the sphere of light opera requiring more elaborate orchestration and more singing technique. This, he said, made it more difficult to get them produced abroad.

NANCE O'NEIL IN "MADRE."

Orbera's Play Affords Little Opportunity for Her Abilities.

MADRE, a play in three acts, from the Spanish of Rafael Marti Orbera. At the Lenox Hill Theatre.

Marciana	Nance O'Neil
Faustina	Irene Shirley
Dorotea	Helen Jackson
Centaneria	Kate Mayhew
Blasa	Frances Williams
Damian	Alfred Hickman
Fidel	George Baxter
Francisco	Mortimer White
Eulecho	Clinton Owen
Tio Matildas	Edwin Norris
Rogue	Francis Sadler
Guitar Player	Irving Chayette

In fond memory of "The Passion Flower," a group of devoted playgoers found their way Saturday night to East Seventy-eighth Street, to attend upon the first presentation of "Madre," with Nance O'Neil, at the Lenox Hill Theatre. It can not be truthfully recorded that the little band was in any way handsomely rewarded for its traveling pains.

Rafael Martí Orbera, the author of the new offering, is a contendar, it is said, for the position of Spain's foremost dramatist, but obviously one must seek elsewhere for his laurels. If "Madre" is representative, he is at his best a dreary playwright, of uncertain ideas, and with very little sense of the dramatic.

Miss O'Neil's play—produced by the Players—deals with the efforts of a devoted mother to keep the light of honor and decency burning in the breasts of the two young men left in her charge by her late husband—the one her own son, the other a stepson. The stepson has married a young maiden of the village who has loved and is loved by the son, temporarily on service against the Moors, and on his return their love grows to a flaming and requited passion. The play ends, too late, with the murder of the son by the stepson. Into the prominent chinks of inaction between his bits of drama, the author has inserted sophomoric and wandering bits of philosophy about the disintegration of the human soul and what he obviously considers related subjects.

Miss O'Neil made the most of an ungrateful rôle that was in no way adequate to her talents. There was little opportunity for her undoubted abilities in the display of emotion and her character was one that at no time during the evening seemed to the observer to be connected with reality.

The translation by Alfred Hickman is, one imagines, horrible. It is done in an English that has never been on land and sea—peasants who say "In the whole countryside none has pretty apples as Rosina" and "Are you bewitched that you dare to do this?" are typical of its language—and the whole effect is of a stilted weirdness indescribable.

The acting for the most part was far superior to the play. Clinton Owen was outrageously amusing in a burlesque conception, Irene Shirley was a handsome and tragic Magdalene and Helen Jackson was alluring as a provincial baggage. George Baxter and Alfred Hickman were the competent stepbrothers. The direction was good but at times a little forced.

MONTEMEZZI TO BE GUEST.

His Opera "L'Amore del Tre Re" to Be Sung on Jan. 9—Concert.

Italo Montemezzi, composer of "L'Amore del Tre Re," who with Mme. Montemezzi is in this country, will be the Metropolitan's guest of Wednesday, Jan. 9, when his opera is sung for the first time this season by Borl, Gigli, Danise and Didur. In ten years, Mr. Gatti-Casazza has given more than thirty rerpesentations of this unique work of young Italy. A dress rehearsal of "Cavalleria Rusticana" and Ricciteli's "I Compagnacci" takes place at the Metropolitan today, at 10:30 A. M.

At last night's "opera concert" Rafael Diaz was replaced by Orville Harrold among a dozen artists heard in ensemble in "Gillati d'Amore," "Fedora," "Boris," "Samson," "L'Amico Fritz" and "Marta."

John Charles Thomas Sings Again.

John Charles Thomas gave his second song recital this season at Aeolian Hall yesterday afternoon. A large audience assembled to hear him and demanded that he sing many encores. In the list were songs in Italian, French and English and of particular delight to his hearers was Pessard's "Requiem du Coeur." This number he sang with artistic use of a voice capable of wide variety of expression and with power and appreciation for the content of the music. William Janaushek played the accompaniments in close sympathy with the singer's interpretations.

MUSIC

The Friends of Music.

By RICHARD ALDRICH.

The Friends of Music gave an hour to their art yesterday afternoon at their concert in the Town Hall with a singularly devised program: two violin concertos, between which was placed the overture of Smetana's opera, "Der Kuss." The concertos were Hermann Goetz's Op. 23 and Beethoven's; they were played by Mr. Stanislaw Huberman. The Friends of Music thus carried forward one of the purposes which underlies much of their work—the presentation of music which they regard as worth knowing but which is not known; works swept aside into a by-water by the stream of modern concert giving.

Goetz's concerto is not known to New York; though it is always dangerous to declare that any work published fifty years ago has never been performed here. His "Taming of the Shrew" was produced at the Metropolitan Opera House not many years ago and his melodious symphony in F was played within the memory of those not yet decrepit, when the century was still young. The concerto shares the melodious and perhaps somewhat obvious charm of the symphony. The program annotator quoted a German critic who emphasized the Mendelssohnian character of the work, and this indeed is one of its outstanding qualities.

It is fluent—some might say facile—in its melodiousness, of which the composer appears not to have been ashamed. He lived, in fact, too early to have cultivated a sense of shame for what he doubtless regarded as a merit. Nor is he ashamed of a little romantic sentiment, which it would be unjust to stigmatize as sentimentality.

The three movements of the concerto are enchained. They are well and idiomatically written for the violin, which is given very little respite throughout and is made to play almost uninterruptedly, so easily came the subject matter from the composer's brain.

It is a concerto that was worth hearing and that gave pleasure in the hearing, especially played with so much finish, with such a sort of eager conviction, with a tone so appropriately sweet and seductive, as it was by Mr. Hubermann. Whether any of his colleagues will be fired by his example to add Goetz's work to their répertoires is another question, even though the present generation of fiddlers seek a new and "viable" concerto and no sign is given them.

Mr. Hubermann's playing of Beethoven's concerto is not unfamiliar. It is a delicately poetic reading, elegant rather than robust, consistently maintained in this mood and on this level throughout and gaining acceptance thereby and by the open sincerity of the artist's belief in his conception. He was much applauded by his listeners for his performance of both concertos.

With the best will in the world to follow the lead of the Friends of Music, it was not easily possible to see much that was important or even momentarily highly agreeable in the overture to Smetana's opera. It is a comic opera, if the program annotator has read it aright, but comic spirit did not animate the music of the overture as it does so brilliantly—at a long distance from "Der Kuss"—the overture to that other comedy of Smetana's, "The Bartered Bride."

It is said that the curiosity of the program of this concert was due to the extreme demands for rehearsal and operatic production made upon the orchestra of the Metropolitan Opera House, for which reason rehearsal of what was originally meant for this concert was made impossible. The fortunes of the Friends of Music seem inseparably bound up with the Metropolitan Opera House.

"The New Poor" for the Playhouse.

A new play by Cosmo Hamilton entitled "The New Poor" will be presented a week from tonight at the Playhouse. Lyn Harding will have the leading rôle, and the cast will also include Violet Kemble Cooper and Norma Mitchell.

23 OFFICERS-TO-BE HERE ON CADET SHIP

Freighter Arrives From India With Deck Manned by Apprentices.

ATTEND SCHOOL AT SEA

Study Navigation, Besides Washing Paintwork and Doing Their Tricks at the Wheel.

The 7,000-ton freighter Makalla of the Brocklebank line to the East Indies, which has just arrived from Calcutta to load for Liverpool at the Cunard pier at the foot of West Fourteenth Street, is the first steamer to enter this port with the deck department entirely manned by apprentices. She carries 23 of them, who sleep in hammocks and do their regular trick at the wheel and lookout, wash down decks, clean out the hold ready for cargo and scrub the white paintwork round the sides.

Saturday morning Captain T. A. Tyson, the master of the "cadet ship," as she is called, sent the lads aloft to wash down the foremast, which is painted white, and today they will do the same to the mainmast. An instructor in navigation is carried on the Makalla to teach them in seamanship and navigation on the voyage, and prizes are given to the boys who excel. The instructor is an old sea captain whose failing sight had hampered his work on the bridge. A surgeon also is carried to look after the health of the apprentices. The Makalla usually carries twenty-eight apprentices, the captain said, but five left after completing their four years and the ship will get five in Liverpool to replace them before starting through the Suez Canal to Calcutta.

After the decline of the sailing vessels in which apprentices were trained to be officers in the British merchant marine the steamship companies found it necessary to carry them on freighters in order to keep up the supply of qualified junior officers. They receive $2.50 a month the first year, $5 a month the second year, $7.50 the third year and $10 a month for the fourth year. Boys who serve two years in the training ships Conway at Liverpool or Worcester at London have to put in only three years as apprentices in sea service and start with $5 a month.

The stokers on the Makalla are Hindus, or "Lascars" as they are commonly called by those who do not know that Lascar is the term for able seamen in Hindustanese.

British apprentices landing in New York have a good comfortable club for their use at the Chelsea Hotel in West Twenty-third Street, which is maintained by two philanthropic American women. There they can read and smoke, play cards and have an entertainment every Tuesday night.

MUSIC NOTES.

Johann Strauss's "Die Fledermaus," will be sung by the Wagnerian Opera Company as tonight's special New Year's Eve bill, at the Manhattan.

The Swedish Ballet opens its second week at the Century Roof this evening, continuing Alfren's "Mässommarvaka" and "Anitra's Dance" of Grieg.

Sascha Helman, a 10-year-old pianist, appears at Wurlitzer's this week in daily noon-hour recitals, for which no cards are required.

Erna Rubinstein, violinist, is arriving on the Albert Ballin tomarrow to begin her third American tour.

Mischa Levitzki, pianist, opens the New Year with recitals for the Sociedad pro Arte Musicale in Havana, Cuba.

Today's Radio Program

DEC. 31, 1923.
(Eastern Standard Time.)
Numerals after names of stations show wave length in meters.

WEAF, NEW YORK—492.

3:00 P. M.—Landau's Serenaders.
4:00 P. M.—Frances Tobe, contralto.
4:15 P. M.—Tibor Farkas, violin.
4:30 P. M.—Thomas Butler, baritone.
4:45 P. M.—Frances Tobe, contralto.
5:00 P. M.—Tibor Farkas, violin.
5:15 P. M.—Thomas Butler, baritone.
7:30 P. M.—Short talks.
7:40-8:30 P. M.—Fannie L. Todd, soprano; Scott Blakeley, tenor.
8:30 P. M.—Philharmonic Society concert.
10:15-11:45 P. M.—West End Ladies' Trio.
11:45 P. M.—Chimes from Trinity Church, played by William H. Murray Jr.

WJZ, NEW YORK—455.

3:00 P. M.—"Something for the Children," by Beatrice Frank.
3:45 P. M.—Ralph Schurzman, tenor; Mr. De Long, violin.
4:30 P. M.—Waldorf-Astoria Stringed Ensemble.
5:30 P. M.—Market reports; closing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange; foreign exchange quotations; National Industrial Conference Board report; news.
7:00 P. M.—"Animal Stories from Eskimo Land," by Mrs. Renee Riggs.
7:30 P. M.—"Dogs," by Frank Dole.
7:45 P. M.—Popular music.
8:15 P. M.—Literary minutes.
8:30 P. M.—Organ recital.
9:25 P. M.—Musical program direct from the Strand Theatre.
11:15 P. M.—Violin recital.
11:45 P. M.—Chimes of Saint Patrick's Cathedral.

WHN, NEW YORK—360.

2:15-3:15 P. M.—Popular songs; piano solos.
3:45-4:30 P. M.—Orchestra concert.
4:30-5:30 P. M.—Songs and piano selections.
5:30-8:00 P. M.—Roseland Dance Orchestra.
8:00-8:15 P. M.—Walter

NAVY TEAM REACHES SCENE OF CONTEST

Middies Greeted by Sunny Skies on Arrival at Pasadena to Play Washington.

HOLDS DRILL ON FIELD

Eastern Eleven Impresses Critics by Short Workout in Rose Bowl—Huskies Arrive Today.

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 30.—Clear skies and a sunny welcome greeted the United States Naval Academy football players when they stepped off the train here today to prepare for their New Year's Day game with the University of Washington team in the Rose Bowl here.

Though the well-advertised Southern California sun shone brightly on the Middies as they hit the station platform, the waiting throng of fans kept the collective fingers crossed; for it rained yesterday and there have been times when it has rained on New Year's Day. The sunshine and roses which met the Annapolis men everywhere, however, put them in an optimistic frame of mind and seemed to promise them the fast, dry field which experts hereabouts predict they will need if their light, speedy backfield is to prevail against the Huskies.

The Navy players were apparently in the best of condition and so full of vigor that Coach Bob Folwell let them hop into their gridiron uniforms for a short workout on the scene of battle. There they delighted the critics with an exhibition of nimbleness and celerity which prophets on the side lines predicted would sink Washington's hopes deeper than Davy Jones's locker. Others foretold that of rain should bring a sloppy field, it would be the Navy that would be sunk.

Tomorrow Coach Enoch Bagshaw's Huskies will arrive from the North, and both teams will hold their final workouts in the afternoon; the Middies taking the field from 1 to 3 o'clock, and Washington using it for the rest of the day.

Most of the 52,000 seats available for the New Year's Day classic have been sold, according to Tournament of Roses officials, and it is expected that the big bowl will be packed to the rim by the time the Navy goat is led out to be introduced to the Washington Husky dog as a preamble to the intersectional clash.

ANNAPOLIS AWAITS GAME.

Interest High for Coast Contest—To Receive Detailed Report.

Special to The New York Times.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 30.—With the near approach of Tuesday's football game at Pasadena, Cal., between the Naval Academy and the University of Washington, interest is keyed up to a high pitch. The condition of the Navy players after their trip to the Pacific coast is an element which the Navy people cannot gauge and which gives much doubt to the outcome. However, naval people are confident the local eleven will give a good account of itself.

Reports from Tuesday's game, play by play, will be received at the Naval Academy and every move represented on a big blackboard. Though the game starts at 2:30, reports will not reach here until about 5.

PADDOCK NOT ASKED TO OFFER APOLOGY

Prout Says Sprinter by Seeking Reinstatement Admits He Has Been in the Wrong.

BOSTON, Dec. 30.—Charles Paddock, world-famed sprinter, has not been asked to apologize for any remarks made concerning the Amateur Athletic Union and his announcement that he would apply for reinstatement with the organization is tantamount to admitting he was in the wrong, William C. Prout, President of the Amateur Athletic Union, said tonight. Mr. Prout added that if satisfactory explanations were forwarded with the application nothing would stand in the way of Paddock's reinstatement.

Paddock announced yesterday that he would not retract anything he had said regarding his differences with the Amateur Athletic Union, but that he would apply for reinstatement to become eligible to compete on the 1924 Olympic Team.

"No one has asked him for any apology," Mr. Prout said tonight. "If he has signified his intention of applying for reinstatement he has admitted he was in the wrong."

GLENCOE A. C. SUCCESSFUL.

Harlem Athletes Capture 1,068 Points During the Year.

The most successful year since the club was organized in 1909 has just been completed by the athletes of the Glencoe A. C. The track and field and boxing squads of the Harlem organization accounted for exactly 1,068 points in the past year, according to the compilation of Max Silver, Athletic Manager. The steady progress of the organization from a competitive viewpoint is demonstrated in a comparison of the club's points with the total of 673 for last year and 407 for 1921. Of the club's aggregate points, 643 were made in boxing competition, the remaining 423 being made in track and field, cross-country and road running. The total boxing points for last year were 307, while the club's runners and field athletes scored 366 points in open competition in 1922. Thirteen members of the club's athletic squad scored points in championship competition.

In the course of the year eight championship titles were captured by wearers of the Winged G, in addition to triumphs scored in other competitions which materially increased the collection of trophies at the club. The Metropolitan A. A. U.'s indoor junior track and field championship was captured by the Harlem club's team last February, and the club's emblem was also carried to victory in the A. A. U national junior cross-country championship race at Philadelphia last month, in which Fred Wachsmuth won the individual title. In track and field Wachsmuth was the leading scorer for the club with 47½ points. Ben Nabers led the list of boxers in point scoring with 125 tallies, Herman Sass was second with 63 and Jack Schwartz third with 57.

RUTGERS SCHEDULES OUT.

Lacrosse Team Has Hardest Season in History of College.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 30.—The hardest schedule ever drawn at Rutgers for the growing sport of lacrosse, now four years old, has been announced.

Princeton will play here April 26, the second game on the list. On May 30 and 31 the Rutgers twelve will meet Hobart at Geneva and at Syracuse.

The schedule follows: April 12, Lehigh at New Brunswick; 26, Princeton at New Brunswick; 30, Stevens at Hoboken; May 10, New York University at New Brunswick; 17, open; 24, Swarthmore at Swarthmore; 30, Hobart at Geneva; 31, Syracuse at Syracuse.

The varsity tennis schedule and the list of games for the freshman basketball team also were made public. The tennis list of opponents follows: April 26, Lafayette at New Brunswick; May 2, Georgetown at Washington; 3, United States Naval Academy at Annapolis; 5, Swarthmore at New Brunswick; 10, Union at New Brunswick; 12, open; 22, Stevens at New Brunswick; 24, New York University at New York; 30, Lehigh at South Bethlehem.

Norman Brookes May Captain Australian Davis Cup Team

Norman E. Brookes, famous Australian tennis player and a member of the Antipodean Davis Cup team for a number of years, states in a letter to the United States Lawn Tennis Association, apropos to his coming to this country as captain of the Australian team next year: "It would indeed be a great pleasure to me, and more unlikely things have happened."

In referring to his present playing form, Brookes states that he took part in the doubles play in the recent Australian championships and that newspaper reports of his playing were very flattering, especially as he had not played more than a dozen sets during the year. He also writes that he intends from now on to play with regularity and hopes to regain his former court ability and form.

WANTLING IS VICTOR AT N. Y. A. C. TRAPS

Captures Scratch Prize With Score of 91 as Snow Falls During Shoot.

Shooting under a heavy handicap the gunners who took part in the week-end shoot of the New York Athletic Club over the traps at Travers Island yesterday failed to make good scores. Midway between the shoot it started to snow, with the gunners experiencing great difficulty in hitting the blue rocks. The best work of the day was accomplished when J. H. Wantling broke 91 out of 100 targets, thereby winning the high scratch prize. F. A. Siebert was second with a 90.

The high handicap prize went to J. H. Vanderveer, who had a card of 88, 6—94. W. A. Purcell was second with a score of 76, 15—91. G. H. Martin won the captain's event, breaking 23 out of 25. The tournament cup was captured by F. A. Siebert.

The scores:

Name.	Tr.	Cup.	Scratch and H'cap	Cups.	Tot.
F. W. Stephens	5	15	97		25—97
G. F. Hutchings	0	20	74	5	5—79
W. H. Norwell	4	8	68	16	16—92
C. L. Zucca	3	10	72	8	8—80
W. G. Allen Jr.	5	14	62	20	20—82
T. Heller	5	14	64	20	20—84
B. L. Duke	3	18	79	5	5—84
W. Purcell	5	17	76	15	15—91
L. Lawrason	5	12	65	20	20—85
J. Clynes	4	16	62	15	15—77
S. A. Mageath	4	19	75	12	12—87
V. A. Amy	3	17	71	15	15—86
J. J. Reagan	5	9	59	20	20—79
F. A. Cooke	3	14	60	8	8—68
H. B. Knight	3	22	76	7	7—83
R. B. Cole	0	18	72	15	15—87
H. S. Lawrason	5	12	65	20	20—85
T. H. Lawrence	1	21	83	1	1—80
F. A. Siebert	1	24	90	1	1—91
O. D. Tutthill	3	21	80	2	2—82
H. H. Rossbach	1	21	77	2	2—78
E. M. Alexander	3	19	79	2	2—81
G. H. Martin	1	23	87	2	2—89
C. K. Post	5	15	65	15	15—94
J. M. Ferguson	3	16	69	5	5—74
J. H. Vanderveer	1	20	88	2	2—94
F. W. Finch	3	16	76	8	8—86
J. H. Wantling	3	23	91	2	2—94
L. M. Simmonds	5	9	45	20	20—65

WEBB TRIUMPHS AT TRAPS.

Breaks 94 Targets in Larchmont Shoot—Dailey Also Scores.

Fifteen gunners took part in the week-end shoot over the traps of the Larchmont Yacht Club yesterday. The conditions were only fair and the nimrods were forced to shoot with snow falling, which was responsible for the low scores. Nat Webb was the high gunner of the day, breaking 94 out of 100 targets.

L. C. Dailey carried off the high handicap prize with a string of 91, 13—104. The monthly scratch prize was won by W. E. Ferguson. The monthly high handicap went to H. Eric. Second prize in this shoot went to J. D. Woods.

The summaries:

	Hit.	Hdcp.	Total.
L. C. Dailey	91	13	104
C. L. Weyand	80	21	101
A. Baxter Jr.	70	20	99
P. Godley	70	28	98
C. L. Dailey	86	5	96
J. D. Woods	77	18	95
W. W. Sawan	82	9	94
J. W. French	82	12	94
T. W. Webb	94	0	94
T. Darell	67	28	95
W. E. Ferguson	90	4	94
F. A. Lewis	66	28	92
J. Kents	80	10	90
A. L. Jones	86	4	90
H. Eric	84	6	90

WINTER CARNIVAL TODAY.

Nine Colleges to Compete for Harding Cup at Lake Placid.

LAKE PLACID, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Representatives of nine colleges will compete tomorrow in a Winter Sports Carnival for the President Harding trophy at the Lake Placid Club under auspices of the Snowbird IWnter Sports Club. The trophy twice has been captured by Dartmouth.

The following colleges will be represented: Dartmouth, McGill, Maine, Colgate, Wisconsin, Yale, Vermont, Amherst and Williams.

The events will include: Seven-mile country ski race; quarter-mile skating race; 100-yard dash on snowshoes; three-mile snowshoe race and ski efficiency test.

PENN STRONG ON MAT.

Red and Blue Expects Best Wrestling Team for Years.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30.—Under the coaching of Leonard Mason, former Red and Blue star, and the leadership of Captain Rabinowitz of New York, the University of Pennsylvania expects to have its best wrestling team in many years.

A preliminary call has been issued for candidates and when the Christmas holidays are over Coach Mason will issue a general call. The first meet is with Princeton University at Princeton, Jan. 26. Fourteen veterans have reported to Coach Mason and this number will be increased to 100 after New Year's.

Coach Mason has a clever heavyweight in Jake Kauffman, who played guard on the varsity football team. Kauffman represented Penn as heavyweight last year and made a splendid record. He weighs more than 200 pounds.

Harriett and Green will take care of the 175-pound class. Both men are veterans from last year. In the 158-pound class Captain Rabinowitz has the call on the other candidates. White and Lutz are other clever candidates in the same class.

In the 145-pound class, three likely candidates are Fisher, Simmons and Marxman. Hadler looks good in the 135-pound class.

BUELL ON TRINITY FACULTY.

Former Harvard Star Appointed Assistant Professor.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 30.—Charles Chauncey Buell, former Harvard football captain and assistant coach at Harvard University, has been appointed as Assistant in the History Department of Trinity College. It was announced recently by President Remsen B. Ogilby. Buell will assist Professor Edward F. Humphrey, Northam Professor of History and Political Science at Trinity.

The former Harvard star will live at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert [illegible] while he is on the Trinity campus.

N. Y. F. C. IS BEATEN BY BETHLEHEM, 4-3

Steelworkers Win Replay in Fourth Round for Challenge Trophy of U. S. F. A.

FALL RIVER VICTOR, 4-2

Defeats Giants and Ties Bethlehem for American League Lead—Other Soccer Results.

America's soccer crown, in the form of the National Challenge Trophy of the United States Football Association, is not for New York this year. That was decided yesterday afternoon in the presence of 5,000 fans who crowded New York Oval and watched Bethlehem win the replay in the fourth round of the annual competition from the New York Football Club.

The steelworkers won by the score of 4 goals to 3, after a contest replete with exciting situations, aggressive tactics on the part of New York, especially in the second half, and last, but not least, the brilliant team work of the Bethlehem forwards. It was this that really decided the issue in favor of the Pennsylvanians, who have earned the right to enter the fifth round.

W. Jackson, with three goals, was the scoring star for the victors. At half-time, the rival teams were tied at 2-2, which was precisely the final score of their first meeting last Thursday at Bethlehem. While each side notched three corners during the first period, New York led with 10-2 in the second, which gives a fair idea of how the home team labored to overcome a 4-2 lead it had to face after six minutes of play in the second half.

Only once did a corner yield a goal, and that was the very first one, which started Bethlehem off in the lead. The ground was soft and a bit soggy in spots, but, all things considered, was, for midwinter, in very fine condition. The arrangements were of the best, and there was not a single serious jar to mar the enjoyment of the spectators.

The three officials were all members of the Philadelphia Referees' Association, with Edward McCabe handling the whistle. Arthur Watson and William Kendall were the neutral linesmen.

Bethlehem was the first to tally, Maxwell kicking the goal in two minutes after the start. New York tied the score three minutes later, when Duggan, on the right, headed from Archie Stark's pass into the net. New York took the lead, twenty minutes from the start, on McNiven's shot, after a fine kickout by McGhee.

Seven minutes before half-time W. Jackson drove from the twenty-yard line squarely at Goalkeeper Tait. The latter's hands connected with the moist ball high over his head, but it slipped through into the net for the goal that made the score all even at two goals.

In the second half W. Jackson quickly tallied his second goal of the game for Bethlehem on a pass from Captain Carnihan. A minute later the same combination, Carnihan to W. Jackson, made the score 4 to 2 in favor of the steelworkers. New York's final goal, Kelly scoring, by Hird. Near the close Terris of Bethlehem was injured, but was able to resume.

The line-up:

BETHLEHEM (4).		NEW YORK (3).
Ollermann	G.	Geudert
D. Ferguson	R. B.	
J. Ferguson	L. B.	Ferrier
McGregor	R. H.	T. Stark
Carnihan	C. H.	Terris
Terris	L. H.	Hird
Turner	O. R.	Duggan
A. Jackson	I. R.	A. Stark
W. Jackson	C.	McNiven
Maxwell	I. L.	McGhee
Goldie	O. L.	McGhee

Referee—Edward McCabe, Philadelphia. Linesmen—Arthur Watson and William Kendall of Philadelphia. Goals—Maxwell, W. Jackson (3), Bethlehem; Duggan, McNiven, Hird, New York. Time—Halves of 45 minutes.

Fall River vs. National Giants.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 30.—After losing yesterday at Pawtucket, 3-0, the National Giants of New York were again defeated today in the American Soccer League circuit, Fall River winning by 4 goals to 2. With Bethlehem busy with the cup game in New York, this victory enabled Fall River to tie the steelworkers for the lead in the league.

Reid scored for the home team within five minutes of the start, and five minutes later McPherson, who replaced Brittain at centre, made it 2-0 against the Giants. After twenty-seven minutes Tate miskicked in front of goal and Sweeney, dashing in, scored for the Giants. Morley headed in the third tally for Fall River two minutes from halftime.

In the second half Campbell of Fall River scored from a mix-up after eight minutes. Just before the end McKenna shot the Giants' second goal.

The line-up:

FALL RIVER (4).		NATIONAL GIANTS (2).
Kerr	G.	Brown
Tate	R. B.	Reynolds
Collier	L. B.	McIlwraith
Orr	R. H.	McKenna
Rayside	C. H.	Scott
Lorimer	L. H.	Cameron
Campbell	O. R.	Gallagher
Reid	I. R.	Pepper
McPherson	C.	Forest
Morley	I. L.	Quinn
Sweeney	O. L.	Sweeney

Referee—J. Morse, Bedford, Mass. Linesmen—Messrs. Wright and Boyce. Goals—Reid, McPherson, Campbell, Morley, Fall River; Sweeney, McKenna, National Giants. Time—Halves of 45 minutes.

Results of Other Games.

After a 2—2 tie in the first half, the Swiss Football Club defeated the Dublin Celtics by the score of 4 goals to 2 in the Metropolitan League game at Bronx Oval yesterday.

Barcelona and the Holland-Belgian soccer elevens played to a 1—1 tie yesterday in the Metropolitan League game at Central Park. Taylor scored for Barcelona in the first half, and Bovee, off a penalty, in behalf of Holland-Belgium in the second.

Blanking their opponents to the tune of 7—0, the Donegals added two points to their total in the New York State Football League table at the expense of the German Sport Club in their game at Hawthorne Field, Brooklyn, yesterday. At half-time the winners had established a 5—0 lead. Toner and Coleman each contributed two goals and Morris, Steele and O'Halloran, one each.

The Nassau Football Club was successful against the Emeralds in the first game of the double-header at Hawthorne Field, winning the New York State League match by 2-0. Edwards shot both goals in the first period.

The Thor Football Club had a fairly easy time of it defeating the Many Red Stars by the score of 5-1 in the New York State League game at Parkville Oval, Brooklyn, yesterday. Hallstrom scored twice for the Thors, Hellmann, Ohland and Jaisen drove in one a piece. Kelly tallied for the Red Stars. At the half time, the Thors were leading 3-1.

Schapiro and Jaffe Again Draw.

As in the first game at the Manhattan Chess Club, M. A. Schapiro and C. Jaffe played to a draw in the second game of their match at the rooms of the Rice-Progressive Club yesterday. After an adjournment, play was resumed and continued until 110 moves had been recorded.

SOCCER FOOTBALL RESULTS.

United States Association.

Bethlehem 4, New York F. C. 3.

American League.

Fall River 4, National Giants 2.

New York State League.

Donegal 7, German S. C. 0.
Nassau 2, C. S. Emerald 0.
Thor 5, C. S. Many Red Star 1.

Metropolitan League.

Swiss F. C. 4, Dublin Celtics 2.
Barcelona 1, Holland-Belgium 1.

CARDIFF CITY TEAM KEEPS SOCCER LEAD

Heads First Division in English League Despite Defeat by Aston Villa.

BOLTON WANDERERS SECOND

Close in on First Place by Victory Over Everton—Rangers Continue to Top Scottish Circuit.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Despite a defeat at the hands of Aston Villa by two goals to one yesterday, Cardiff City continues to lead in the first division of the English Soccer League with a total of 34 points. Bolton Wanderers, by scoring a victory over Everton, 2 to 0, moved into second place, just two points behind the leaders. Last week the Bolton Wanderers were in fifth place. Huddersfield dropped from second to third place by losing to Blackburn, 1 to 0. Aston Villa, through a sensational triumph over the leaders before 77,000, advanced from sixth to a tie for fourth position, while Sunderland, by being held a 1-1 draw by Notts County, fell from third to a tie for fourth place, both Sunderland and Aston Villa having 29 points each.

In the second division of the English League, Leeds United broke a four-cornered tie for first place and now leads with 31 points. Derby County is tied with Stoke for second place with 30 points, while Stoke, the fourth team which was in the tie, is in fourth place with 29 points.

In the first division of the Scottish League, Rangers continue to lead with a total of 37 points, eight points more than the total credited to Airdrieonians in second place. Celtic is in third position and the Raith Rovers fourth. Airdrieonians made a slight gain by winning from the Raith Rovers, 1-0.

The standings:

English League.

FIRST DIVISION.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Cardiff City	23	15	3	5	41	21	34
Bolton Wanderers	25	11	4	10	42	19	32
Huddersfield	23	13	6	4	39	21	30
Sunderland	25	12	6	4	38	21	29
Aston Villa	25	9	5	11	29	30	29
Blackburn Rovers	25	11	7	7	37	26	27
Newcastle United	24	11	8	5	35	27	27
Sheffield United	23	11	8	4	32	27	26
Tottenham	23	9	6	8	32	21	26
Everton	24	10	8	6	24	23	26
Notts County	25	7	8	10	21	25	24
Manchester City	22	9	8	5	26	21	23
West Ham	25	8	8	9	26	30	23
Burnley	23	7	6	10	21	26	24
West Bromwich	23	6	9	8	30	39	20
Woolwich Arsenal	23	7	10	6	21	30	20
Liverpool	23	6	10	7	21	34	19
Notts Forest	23	7	13	4	25	40	18
Birmingham	23	6	11	6	27	36	18
Chelsea	24	4	12	8	16	30	16
Middlesboro	23	5	12	4	23	40	14
Preston	23	4	14	5	25	45	13

SECOND DIVISION.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Leeds United	23	13	6	5	35	20	31
Derby County	23	13	6	4	35	20	30
Stoke	24	9	5	10	29	31	29
Blackpool	23	9	6	8	28	27	25
Manchester	22	9	7	6	31	30	24
Southampton	23	9	7	7	24	16	24
The Wednesday	23	8	7	8	23	21	24
Barnsley	23	8	7	8	29	30	24
Leicester City	23	8	7	8	23	24	23
South Shields	23	8	7	8	24	28	23
Bury	21	9	8	4	29	28	22
Stockport Co.	21	7	8	6	24	28	20
Crystal Palace	23	7	8	8	29	35	22

Scottish League.

FIRST DIVISION.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	20	15	0	5	44	9	37
Airdrieonians	20	11	3	6	30	20	28
Celtic	20	9	2	9	31	16	26
Raith Rovers	20	11	6	3	28	19	25
Dundee	20	9	4	8	28	27	23
Partick Thistle	20	9	6	5	27	23	23
Kilmarnock	20	7	6	7	24	24	21
Aberdeen	21	8	8	5	21	20	21
St. Mirren	20	7	6	7	24	24	21
Hearts	20	7	7	6	24	24	20
Motherwell	20	7	9	4	23	28	18
Hibernians	21	6	8	7	24	34	19
Third Lanark	19	6	8	5	20	30	17
Falkirk	20	5	8	7	23	30	17
Morton	22	5	12	5	27	37	15
Clyde	21	6	10	5	22	34	17
Hamilton	20	6	11	3	21	34	17
Ayr United	20	5	10	5	17	31	15
Queens Park	21	4	11	6	20	37	14
Clydebank	20	4	13	4	20	33	11
Hull City	22	6	8	8	21	31	20
Bradford City	22	6	7	9	21	22	21
Fulham	22	5	7	10	21	21	20
Clapton Orient	21	6	7	8	21	17	20
Coventry City	22	6	8	8	21	31	20
Nelson	23	5	9	9	23	42	19
Fulham	10	3	3	4	12	13	10
Bristol City	23	4	11	8	21	34	16
Port Vale	20	6	11	3	22	33	15

TIJUANA ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—Five furlongs; three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $600. Port Churchill 109 pounds, Chair Master 106, Joe Tex 104, Bonnie Bruce 104, Hillsdale 114, Pueblo 106, Sir John 106, Sly Fox 105, Peerless One 101, Billy Dunn 106.

SECOND RACE—Five furlongs; three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $600. *Blanche Mayer 101 pounds, *Billy Joe 107, Sophia Goldman 103, Mythology 106, Norford Money 111, Dr. Johnson 114, Operator 100, *Nellie Harper 101, *Mildred Ruth 98, Aunt Agnes 106.

THIRD RACE—Five and one-half furlongs; all ages; claiming; purse $600. Flea 111 pounds, Finis Gloriosus 100, A. Lester 98, Currency 111, *The Lamb 110, Franz Tirour 115, Redondo 106, *Sunbird 98, Cameron *Virginia 95, *Chestnut Girl 95, *Dell Evans 89, Zingo 100, Lak Jessie 112, *Alice Russell 106, The Cure 106.

FOURTH RACE—Five and one-half furlongs; handicap; purse $1,000. Melmont 122 pounds, Seth's Alibi 107 pounds, Pretty Maid 107, Queen Catherine 106, *Bettee 107, *Porter Ella 104, Little Thistle 107, Seth's Memory 109, *Whiff 100, *Oliver 96.

FIFTH RACE—Five furlongs; all ages; handicap; purse $1,000. Verjance 124 pounds, All Over 116, My Reverie 105, Lit 104, Abedane 107, Be Frank 107, Knobbie 124, Tea Buttons 103, Wild Heather, 96.

SIXTH RACE—Mile and a sixteenth; three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700. Tasteful 109 pounds, Ida 113, Young Adam 113, Mad Oil 110, *Paladin 108, Take Her 112, Our Birthday 114, Ida 110, *Kingsland 105, *Johnny Gervais 104, Old Fairfax 113, Walnut Hall 112, Bert 114, *Decatur 106, Rifle 105. Also eligible: Honolulu Boy 118, Our Baby 110, *Karol Mack 108.

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

SEVENTH RACE—Mile and a sixteenth; three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $700. The Falconer 118 pounds, *Mikado 112, Bonnie Bird 107, Leonard G. 118, Tom Bowler 113, Blarney Stone 110, Chive 106, All American 106, Zealot 110, Dorice 111.

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EIGHTH RACE—Mile and seventy yards; three-year-olds and upward; claiming; purse $600. *Summer Sight 108 pounds, Louis 106, The Desert 111, *Warrior 101, *Fruits Garden 98, *Poacher 106, San Redros 111, White Dove 108, Wedding Prince 111, Isa Way 111, Dashing Jim 106, Flags 108, Fayolle 105, Tarmak 111, *Oo 96.

*Apprentice allowance claimed.

Weather cloudy; track heavy.

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES.

FIRST RACE—Purse $700; maiden; two-year-olds; six furlongs. Where the Streets Are Paved 115 pounds, Leonard G. 118, Tom Blalcolla 108, Antiquity 108, Brownlee 115, Sandbar 115, Bert Hasler 108, Goldmark 108, Sarcastic 108, Dorice 108, Dancing Pilot 115, Alfred 112, Mario Cotton 108, Frenchlick 106, Amasaray 107. Also eligible: Watch Charm 108, William; Cast 112, Miss Crocker 108.

SECOND RACE—Purse $700; claiming; three-year-olds and upward; one mile. Mustard Seed 110 pounds, Burgoyne 110, Damion 110, Ethington 107, *Soviet 102, Rex Gaiety 110, Cascabe 110, Monsoon 110, Cedric 110, Cascabe 110, Monsoon 110, Cedric 110, Cascabel 110, Judge Wyldo 110, Ill. 110, Tuna 110, Sea Wolf 110, *Yarmuz Dear 105, *Martha Moore 95. Also eligible: Sea Wrack 108, Far East 114, Juno 108.

THIRD RACE—Purse $700; all ages; Jamaica, Claiborne Highway; one mile and seventy yards. Time 1:39 2-5. Summary:

Kelly tallied for the Red Stars. At the half time, the Thors were leading 3-1.

Schapiro and Jaffe Again Draw.

As in the first game at the Manhattan Chess Club, M. A. Schapiro and C. Jaffe played to a draw in the second game of their match at the rooms of the Rice-Progressive Club yesterday. After an adjournment, play was resumed and continued until 110 moves had been recorded.

SOCCER FOOTBALL RESULTS.

United States Association.

Bethlehem 4, New York F. C. 3.

American League.

Fall River 4, National Giants 2.

New York State League.

Donegal 7, German S. C. 0.
Nassau 2, C. S. Emerald 0.
Thor 5, C. S. Many Red Star 1.

Metropolitan League.

Swiss F. C. 4, Dublin Celtics 2.
Barcelona 1, Holland-Belgium 1.

Minneapolis to Seek Olympic Winter Sports Events in 1932

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 30.—Minneapolis, through Mayor George E. Leach, will formally invite the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1932 Winter sports program here, it was announced today. The 1932 Olympics will be held at Los Angeles, and it was pointed out that the Winter program would have to be staged elsewhere. Mayor Leach will accompany the American ski team to the Olympics' Winter sports card at Chamonix, France, and will extend the invitation to come here in 1932 at that time. Members of the ski team will be selected at tryouts here, beginning next Sunday.

HOPPE WILL SEEK 3-CUSHION TITLE

Plans to Challenge Soon for Championship Match at Close of Season.

Willie Hoppe, the world's 18.1 and 18.2 balkline billiard champion, yesterday announced that he would challenge shortly for the world's three-cushion championship. It is known among billiardists that it long has been the ambition of Hoppe to capture the three-cushion crown and for the last four years he had been devoting much time to the perfection of his play at this style of game. Hoppe plans to post his forfeit within a few days, he stated, and will compete in a special match, regardless of the outcome of his 18.2 challenge matches.

"I have decided to issue a challenge for the three-cushion billiard title," Hoppe stated officially yesterday. "I will challenge the winner of this season's championship to a special 300-point match to be played before the end of the regular 1923-1924 season, which ends in May. I have been told by billiard officials that my challenge will be honored. I am ready to post any forfeit that will be asked and if necessary to post a side bet, the size of which can be determined later. I feel that the time has arrived for me to issue such a challenge."

Hoppe has been an expert at the three-cushion or angle game for years and it has been his ability to make difficult three and four-cushion shots that has strengthened his balkline game, for it is admitted among billiardists that Hoppe's open table play is the best in billiards. He holds the world's unofficial record for a high run at three-cushion, making a run of twenty-five in an exhibition in San Diego, Cal., four years ago.

Cliff Denton is the present holder of the three-cushion championship. Under the present system the 1924 championship will be decided as the end of the regular National Championship Three Cushion Billiard League season. Under that system the first four players in the league standing will meet in a round robin and the winner will be recognized as the world's champion. There is little doubt that Hoppe's challenge will be respected and that the winner of the 1924 championship will give him a chance to play for the title.

Cochran to Meet Suganuma.

Welker Cochran, challenger for the world's 18.2 billiard title, yesterday agreed to meet Tadao Suganuma, junior national 18.2 balkline champion, in a handicap match at the Strand Billiard Academy this week. Cochran will play 2,400 points against 1,800 for Suganuma, and the match will be played in six blocks of 400 points, against 300 points each, on successive evenings of Thursday, Friday and Saturday. This will be Cochran's final match in preparation for the challenge match against Hoppe, which will be played in Boston on Jan. 10, 11 and 12.

Last week in a handicap match against Kinrey Matsuyama in Philadelphia Cochran made his 2,400 points in a handicap match in thirty-six innings for a grand average of 66 2-3. Cochran had three runs of more than 300, his best being an unfinished effort of 194. He also contributed runs of 248 and 211 in the match.

Suganuma successfully defended his junior title in a challenge match against Jean Bruno last Saturday night. He received more than $500 in cash and possession of the $500 trophy for winning. Bruno received $300 for his work.

Cannefax in the Lead.

Bob Cannefax of Detroit holds the leadership in the national championship three-cushion billiard league at the end of the first rest period caused by the holidays.

Ralph Greenleaf of Philadelphia is making a fast getaway in the National Pocket Billiard League, the Philadelphian having won thirty-one games, with only five defeats.

THREE-CUSHION LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	H.R.	B.G.
Cannefax, Detroit	21	7	10	28
Reiselt, Philadelphia	24	10	9	42
Layton, St. Louis	17	11	9	33
Pappius, Cleveland	17	11	9	30
Kieckhefer, Chicago	17	14	9	30
Jackson, Milwaukee	14	14	10	32
Ellis, Pittsburgh	13	12	7	30
Hoppe, Kansas City	12	13	8	30
Maupome, Chicago	11	13	8	27
Wakefield, Pittsburgh	13	21	9	43
Steel, Toledo	9	15	7	42
Moore, New York	7	19	7	34

POCKET BILLIARD LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	H.R.	B.G.
Greenleaf, Philadelphia	31	5	71	4
Rudolph, New York	29	10	60	4
Hueston, Chicago	29	10	49	3
St. Jean, Minneapolis	24	12	62	7
Allen, Kansas City	23	22	74	10
Cooper, Detroit	20	21	57	11
Mature, Brooklyn	19	21	51	10
Natalis, St. Louis	20	19	55	4
Wood, Pittsburgh	7	11	55	4
Hoppe, Kansas City	12	13	49	12
Stautsburg, Cleveland	14	23	49	12
Weston, Lowell	14	22	49	12
Keogh, Rochester	12	27	48	16
Kogel, Baltimore	13	30	49	14
McCoy, Richmond	9	32	37	11

National Class C Survivors.

The four players who survived the semi-final round in the National Class C 18.2 balkline

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M'CORMACK SEES SMITH ON BOXING

License Committee Chairman's Visit to Albany Causes Much Speculation.

MULDOON SLATED TO GO

Insiders Declare Governor Will Name Well-Known Democrat to Conduct Fistic Affairs.

Announcement yesterday that William J. McCormack, Chairman of the License Committee of the State Athletic Commission, and an appointee of Governor Smith's, was in Albany conferring with the State's Chief Executive on the boxing situation here, increased speculation in local boxing circles on the possible appointments to be made of successors to Chairman William Muldoon and Frank Dwyer, the two commission members whose terms expire today.

McCormack's visit to the State capital furnished a mild surprise in local circles. It was known that he intended visiting the Governor this week for a discussion on the boxing situation, but no announcement had been made that McCormack would occupy Sunday with a trip to Albany and the important mission associated with the trip. McCormack is due to return to this city this morning in time to attend the meeting of the State Athletic Commission and the License Committee. He probably will return with some idea of the appointments Governor Smith contemplates making and a general outline of the Governor's attitude toward boxing. Whether McCormack will divulge this information is another matter.

Today's meeting will be the last for the State Athletic Commission as it is now constituted. George E. Brower of Brooklyn, who was appointed by Governor Smith, will be the only remaining member of the commission after today until the Governor's appointments are made known.

The word has gone out that Muldoon is through. For a time it was thought that his record as head of the commission for the two and one-half years and the prestige he brought to the sport would induce Governor Smith to reappoint the Purchase (N. Y.) health farm proprietor for another term of office. From last reports this is not to be. Information was gleaned yesterday from the rumors and predictions that Muldoon will officially be notified today of the expiration of his term of office. If such notice is received, today's visit to the boxing headquarters will be Muldoon's last.

Dwyer May Have Chance.

With respect to Dwyer, however, the atmosphere has changed from that of almost certain dismissal for the Geneva member of the board, to one of possible reappointment. Dwyer enjoys strong political backing up-State and it is said his friends are rallying to his support in an effort to induce his retention in office. His retention, however, rests entirely with Governor Smith. Latest indications point to Dwyer's being retained. It can be said without qualification, after yesterday's developments, that Dwyer's prospects for reappointment are more encouraging than those of Muldoon. Incidentally there was no change reported in the indications that Brower, as senior member of the board, will serve as Chairman in the new Administration.

No positive indication of a possible successor to Muldoon has been obtained. The boxing appointments are guarded with greater secrecy than the appointments made in public administration activities. The one authoritative prediction that has been given out is that the selection will be a man of integrity who will command the respect of the boxing public and whose associations with the sport will tend to uplift boxing.

Three men have been singled out for the office of the many whose names were submitted to the Governor. The identities of these men are unknown. Only those high in the political councils of the State are aware of the names of the individuals. It is known, however, that the first man approached declined the berth.

Political jealousy is another factor of the boxing situation, according to reports. The Democratic leaders resent the implication that it is necessary to look to the Republican party for a man of the Muldoon type to place at the head of the ring sport. This was the frank admission made yesterday by a man in close touch with the situation, whose name is withheld for obvious reasons.

Democrats Want Prestige.

This informant declared that the Democratic Party is determined to convince the public that the organization has at its service men who can lend even more dignity to boxing than did Muldoon. It was pointed out that this was one of the elements of the present boxing situation which made Muldoon's elimination almost a certainty.

The appointees of Governor Smith will take office unhampered by political strings, it is said. This will be one of the understandings upon which the Governor will insist, according to reports. The complaint has been made that politics is involved in the boxing situation today, although no convincing evidence of political meddling has been advanced. It was said yesterday that every boxing follower will be convinced of the alienation of politics from the sport by the appointments Governor Smith will announce.

At today's meeting, among other things, the resignation of John E. Van Derbosch of Schenectady will be acted upon. Following the custom of the board, the resignation will be accepted at the final session. Van Derbosch is a deputy who submitted his resignation last Thursday to accept a responsible public office in his home city.

STRIBLING READY FOR GONG

Georgian Ends Training for Tomorrow's Bout With Dave Rosenberg.

Young Stribling plans to finish training today for his twelve-round bout against Dave Rosenberg, Brooklyn middleweight, which will be held in the First Regiment Armory, Newark, under the auspices of the National Sportsmen's Club, tomorrow afternoon. The Georgia youngster is reported in fighting trim and ready for the gong.

Rosenberg also plans to close his preparatory work today with a final workout at the Garden Gymnasium. The Brooklyn middleweight is confident he will defeat Stribling and upset the latter's plans for a world's light-heavyweight title match.

Unusual interest attaches to the match, judging from the heavy advance sale reported. In a ten-round semi-final bout, Spark Plug Russell, Jersey City flyweight, and Willie Woods of Scotland will be the principals. Harry Martone and Sailor Darden, welterweights, are slated to furnish the action in another ten-round bout.

SPORTS ALLIANCE MEETS.

Johnston and McCarney Nominated to Head National Body.

The first definite step toward reviving the National Sports Alliance was taken yesterday at a meeting held in the Hotel Astor at which nominations were made for several offices. James J. Johnston, manager of Johnny Dundee, and William L. McCarney, also a manager of boxers, were named as rival candidates for the office of President. William L. Newman was nominated for the post of Treasurer without opposition. The election of these and other officers will be held on Jan. 18, when the next meeting of the re-organizing committee is scheduled to be held.

Comment on Current Events in Sports.

GENERAL

The pages of sports history were filled with many notable achievements during the year of 1923; nearly every branch of athletics saw records broken, attendances at big events surpassed anything that has been known in the past, and sensational, exciting and surprising victories were scored in many of the major contests, but 1924 promises to be the greatest year for the sporting world that ever has been known.

1923 recorded, among other notable events, Dempsey's successful defense of his world's heavyweight championship against two contenders; the financial failure at Shelby in the Gibbons bout, and the thrilling battle at the Polo Grounds against Firpo when seven knockdowns were scored in the first round, the champion was knocked through the ropes and then came back to send the Argentine challenger down for the count.

The year 1923 recorded the successful defense by the United States of the Davis Cup trophy against the largest field of nations ever challenging, the crowning of a new woman's national champion, Helen Wills, and the inauguration of a woman's interantional match. The turf witnessed the international match race between Papyrus, winner of the English Derby, and Zev, conqueror at Louisville in the Kentucky Derby. Bobby Jones won his first national open title in golf. Miss Edith Cummings captured the women's title for the first time, and Max Marston replaced Jess Sweetser as amateur king.

These were only a few of the great events of the year which is drawing to a close, but the period just ahead is scheduled with sporting events on which will focus the eyes of the world. International competition promises to be stronger and more abundant in 1924 than ever before. The international events already on the program are the Olympic games at Paris, where the nations of the world will gather to compete in every branch of athletics; the coming here of Epinard, the champion three-year-old of France in 1923; the appearance of Zev and Grey Lag in the Ascot Gold Cup; the Davis Cup tennis matches, which promise to be more closely contested than any time since the war; the women's international team tennis matches between England and America for the Hazel Hotchkiss Wightman trophy; the first meeting of Suzanne Lenglen and Helen Wills on the courts; the defense of the International Challenge Cup by the American polo team at Meadow Brook, and many other events.

Besides these international contests which are definitely arranged, several others have been planned and there is every reason to believe that they will materialize. Among these is the tour of Europe by two all-star baseball teams from the National and American Leagues, the invasion of the United States by a lacrosse team from England in quest of the international trophy and an international soccer series.

It is still problematical whether England will send over a golf team for the Walker Cup, but the National Open and the British Open championships always take on an international aspect, anyway, so golf also will draw the attention of the world for two weeks, at least. Boxing, rowing, billiards, fencing, cycling and rifle and pistol shooting are other sports which will draw fields from foreign nations, and a year from today the sun may set on the greatest twelve-month of international competition in the history of sports.

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SWIMMING

Authorities recently have compiled a rating of the watermen deemed leading candidates for the American Olympic team, but so far none has undertaken to rate the mermaids in line for the women's team. Unquestionably our reliance for the 100 and 400-meter free style swims is Miss Gertrude Ederle of the Women's Swimming Association of New York. Not only does she hold the world's records for both distances, but she has defeated in actual contest every rival of note. At 100 meters next comes Miss Mariechen Wehselau of Honolulu, holder of the international 100-yard standard of 1:03. Then follow Miss Adelaide Lambert of the W. S. A., Miss Ethel Lackie of the Illinois A. C., Miss Lillie Bowmer of Honolulu, Miss Minnie De Vry of the Illinois A. C., and Miss Helen Wainwright of New York. Miss Bowmer is placed fifth though she has been credited with 1:08 3-5 for 100 yards, for she could do no better than 1:07 3-5 in California last Summer.

As to the 400-meter swim Miss Wainwright figures second to Miss Ederle on her work of last Winter, but her outlook now depends on her regaining the form she displayed at that time. Unless she is at her best she is not likely to outswim in the try-outs the Misses Aileen Riggin, Adelaide Lambert, Virginia Whitcomb, Ethel McGary and Doris O'Mara, all of the W. S. A., who are good for about 6:15 at 440 yards and matched closely.

Miss Sybil Bauer of the Illinois A. C. stands out boldly as the leader for the 100-meter back stroke fixture. She has returned officially 1:14 1-5 for 100 yards, unofficially 1:12 4-5, while no other mermaid has beaten 1:20 for the distance within two years. The other candidates are difficult to rate, for their fastest times are bridged by a margin of two or three seconds and differences in conditions will affect performances to this extent. Competitive results indicate that the order at present should be Miss Riggin, Miss Wainwright, Miss Bowmer, Miss O'Mara and Miss McGary, but it must be added that their chances seem little better than those of Miss Lambert, Miss Frances Chambers, of San Diego; Mrs. Frances Schroth, of San Francisco; Miss Josephine McKim, of the Canal Zone and one or two others.

For the 200-meter breast stroke swim Miss Agnes Geraghty, of the W. S. A. commands first choice by virtue of her recently set national record of 3:32 2-5 for 220 yards. Then comes Miss Peggy Williamson, of the Milwaukee A. C.; Miss Ruth Thomas, of Atlantic City, and Miss Salome Brennerholtz, of Buffalo, judging from latest performances at the furlong, though it is possible that Miss Eleanor Coleman, of the Milwaukee A. C.; Miss Dorothy Andre, of Detroit, and Miss Alice Howard, of San Diego, credited with remarkable times for 100 yards, may demand recognition at the furlong this season.

The championship contests of 1923 in springboard fancy diving placed Miss Aileen Riggin, of the W. S. A., foremost, with Miss Elizabeth Becker, of Atlantic City, and Miss Wainwright next best and close on; but Miss Helen Meany, of the W. S. A., is in the same class with these three, though she was unable to train adequately for the title tests. Californians think well of the prospects of Miss Viola Hartman, of the Los Angeles A. C., but Easterners who have seen her in action do not believe she compares with the four girls named, nor with Miss Florence Briscoe, another likely contender of the W. S. A.

Miss Meany has won the national high diving championship for three years in succession, so her supremacy in this event is not open to argument. Her younger sister, Josephine, Miss Aileen Riggin, Miss Louise Davidson, of the People's Palace, of Jersey City, and Miss Theresa Starace, of the W. S. A., seem next in line, though there was not enough competition last Summer to rate the high divers with accuracy.

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GOLF

Visits such as that which Arthur Havers and James Ockenden are now making to America and, before them, were made by Ray and Vardon, Duncan and Mitchell, and Taylor and Herd, are excellent things for the game of golf.

Havers is the first of the British post-war golfers to arrive at fame. Both he and Ockenden are players who are a credit to the line of work they chose to follow. They are both typical of the British school of golf professional, quiet and unassuming and not at all overcome by the fame and glory which have come to them during the past year.

When it became known that they were planning to come to America fears were expressed on the other side that, encountering conditions to which neither was accustomed, they might not be able to uphold the prestige of British golf. So far, however, those fears have proved to be groundless ones for, even at Pinehurst, where they ran up against sand greens for the first time, they acquitted themselves nobly, defeating Alex Ross, one-time American open champion, and Wm. Capello. Unless all signs fail, Havers and Ockenden will return to England with their share of honors.

Havers's real test will come when he meets Gene Sarazen, the American P. G. A. champion, in a seventy-two-hole match on the Western coast late next month. On two previous occasions matches have been played between the holder of the British professional championship and the holder of the American professional honors and in each instance the American has been returned the winner. The first of these tests came in 1921 when Hutchison, as the British title-holder, was defeated by Jim Barnes, the open champion. Last year Hagen, who had succeeded Hutchison to the British championship, tackled Gene Sarazen, winner of the American open crown, at Skokie, and the latter was returned a winner. Had the thing been carried out logically this year, Havers would have been called upon to meet Bobby Jones, the amateur winner of the open title, but Bobby, being an amateur, did not fit into the scheme of things, so Sarazen was chosen.

The latter, having finally succeeded in getting back into his game, as he proved in the P. G. A. event at Pelham, is just about the strongest match player that America has at the present time and in case Havers succeeds in beating him on the Coast it will be a big feather in the cap of the Briton. Good as Walter Hagen is at match play, he has yet to win his first victory over Sarazen, although they have met on several occasions. The Havers-Sarazen match, however, ought to be one of the best ever played, and furthermore it ought to be instructive, since they are representatives of different types of play and their successes within the last two years have been about equal in importance.

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BASEBALL

Many facts of interest to the baseball fan are revealed in the official National League records announced during the past week. Outstanding among the players of the league last season as shown by the figures were Rogers Hornsby of the Cardinals and Adolfo Luque of the Reds. Both of these players had remarkable records. Hornsby not only won the batting championship of his league for the fourth year in succession but he also led his fellow-players in slugging with a percentage of .627, making a total of 286 bases on hits in 424 official times at bat. In compiling his batting average of .384, which is nineteen points lower than that of Henry Heilmann, American League champion, Hornsby drove out thirty-two two-baggers, ten three-base hits and seventeen home runs.

Luque, who has been one of the best pitchers in the league for a number of years but who had been particularly unlucky in the past, finally came into his own this year. The Red's star right-hander led the league in effectiveness as well as in percentage of games won. His average of earned runs allowed per nine-inning game was only 1.93 and his percentage of victories was .771, only eight defeats being charged against him in thirty-five games. He led the regular pitchers of the league in both respects by substantial margins, Ritzy, also of the Reds, who finished second in effectiveness, had an earned run average of 2.90, while Morrison of the Pirates, who ranks second in percentage of games won, had a mark of .656. The weakness of the Giants' pitching staff is strikingly shown by the fact that McQuillan and Bentley were the only McGraw twirlers to pitch ten complete games during the entire season.

While the averages reveal the Giants' weakness in pitching, they also show the National League champions' strength in other departments of the game. Not only did McGraw's team lead the league in team fielding but it also had five players who batted above the .300 mark. These are Frisch, Stengel, Young, Kelly and Bancroft. Frisch, incidentally, has a splendid playing record for last season. In addition to making the most hits and the most total bases on hits in the league, he also led the Giants in several other phases of offensive play. He led the National League champions in batting with a mark of .348; had the most times at bat, 641; made the most hits, 223; made the most total bases on hits, 311; and he led his team mates on the bases with twenty-nine steals. Moreover, he struck out less times than any player on the team, despite the fact that he went to bat the most times, fanning on only twelve occasions during the season.

Among the other local National League players to distinguish themselves were Ross Young, who led the league in run scoring with a total of 121 tallies; Heinie Groh, who had the best fielding average among the regular third basemen, and Frank Snyder, whose fielding average was the best among the catchers.

TENNIS

It is already evident at this early date that the assault to be made upon the Davis Cup in 1924 will be the most formidable that this country has been called upon to resist since Tilden and Johnston brought it back from Australia in 1920. Two challenges have been filed to date, by Ireland and France, and Australia, according to a statement from Sydney, is certain to make a bid for the trophy next year. France and Australia are the two teams which carry the greatest threat of lifting the cup.

If the Antipodeans present their full strength it is difficult to see how any team will prevent them from reaching the challenge round. Gerald L. Patterson, captain of the 1922 team and world's champion at Wimbledon that year, is available for the team, according to information sent out, and so also is Patrick O'Hara-Wood. Any who saw Patterson and O'Hara-Wood defeat Tilden and Richards in 1922 do not need to be informed that the Committee on the Development of Doubles Play appointed by the U. S. L. T. A. has its work cut out for it if this pair plays for Australia again.

Australia's hopes do not rest solely upon Patterson and O'Hara-Wood. Norman E. Brookes has stated that it would give him pleasure to come to this country to play for Australia again. Brookes will be playing in England during the coming season. Should he be named on the Australian team, the return of this famous figure of the tennis courts would awaken greater interest in the matches than has been shown since his sensational struggle with Maurice McLoughlin at Forest Hills in the 1914 challenge round. The first set of this match established a record number of games, 32 being required before McLoughlin won at 17—15. Brookes defeated R. Norris Williams 2d, in his other singles match and in the doubles with the late Anthony Wilding defeated Williams and Thomas C. Bundy. These two victories, with Wilding's triumph over Williams, enabled the Antipodeans to lift the cup.

Brookes last played for Australia in 1920. He was beaten by both Tilden and Johnston in the singles and with Patterson lost to the Americans in the doubles. In each of his three matches Brookes won a set and forced Tilden to his utmost before yielding.

The national junior and boys' championships brought to a finish at the Seventh Regiment Armory on Saturday were the most successful that have been held in the ten years' history of the events, both in the point of numbers and the character of the play. During the ascendancy of Vincent Richards from 1918 to 1920 the Yonkers youth put up a brand of tennis that probably will not be improved upon for many years to come in the junior ranks. But there was no one to furnish enough opposition to make the matches sporting tests and interest in them was less than might have been shown had Richards not dominated the field so absolutely.

The final match of the 1923 tournament brought out tennis of a character to show that the standard of play among the juniors has been raised in the last three years and the entire tournament, with its 64 contestants, furnished sufficient evidence that there is much good material in the process of development from which to select the players who will fill the places of Tilden, Johnston and Williams when these are no longer available to play for the United States.

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FOOTBALL

Three changes have been recommended to the football Rules Committee, and of these only one is of a major character. When the coaches assembled at Atlanta for their annual conference last week, the gridiron mentors had before them the recommendations that the jump-shift be eliminated; that the rule now covering the flying tackle and tackling below the knees be repealed, and that the offensive team be allowed to complete its downs before the half period is called when it has the ball within its opponents' ten-yard line.

The rule which inflicted a penalty for flying tackles and tackling below the knees has never been enforced to any extent, and consequently is practically obsolete. When coaches call their squads together in the early Fall and caution against fumbling, off-side, holding and other things which prove costly, there is seldom any warning made to the players concerning flying tackles or tackling below the knees, because the coaches know that these two plays as a rule go unpenalized by the officials. It has been observed that fewer injuries result from clean tackles than from those awkwardly or improperly made, and the flying tackle is the cleanest of all.

The jump-shift has gradually been restricted, and the passing of the formation will not be greatly felt by any team which has employed it in the past. The object in doing away with the play, it is understood, is because of the uncertainty in judging whether or not the men making the movement have come to a full stop before the ball is passed.

The other recommendation, while not startling, is interesting and has its good points. Several times a team has plunged and passed, fought and charged its way to the shadow of its opponents' goal posts in the first half, only to have the whistle blow as the objective, a touchdown, is within reach. There have been suggestions made in the past that the ball be put in play at the beginning of the third quarter at the same spot and under the same conditions that it was at the end of the second period, but the recommendation made last week to the Rules Committee is a new version to be considered.

The idea of having a team continue its attack on its opponents' goal line under the conditions described undoubtedly would prove interesting and exciting from the spectators' point of view and give a fair chance to the offensive team. Under the recommendation, if a team, for instance, had the ball on its opponents' nine-yard line, third down and four yards to go when half time was reached, it would be allowed the third and fourth downs. If it not clearly brought out whether or not the play would cease if the offensive team made its first down but did not cross the goal line.

An adoption of a rule allowing the offensive team to continue its attack until it loses the ball before the half ends, provided that it has the ball within its opponents' ten-yard line when the half-time is reached, might prove a most popular move. It would not prolong the play for any great length of time, for the most extra plays possible would be eight. The rule might also be extended to provide for the same conditions at the end of the second half.

BROOKLYN VICTOR IN TENNIS PLAY

Indoor Club Beats Sixty-ninth Regiment Team, 6 to 2—F. Anderson Scores.

The return of Frank T. Anderson, third ranking player in the Metropolitan list, and stirring, uphill battles by Reginald Talmage and Armand L. Bruneau in their singles matches enabled the Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club to capture its third successive victory of the indoor tennis season at the Fourteenth Regiment Armory, Brooklyn, yesterday. The opponent of the Brooklyn players was the team representing the Sixty-ninth Regiment Saturday Afternoon Tennis Club, which was defeated 6 to 2, with one match unfinished because of darkness.

Frank Anderson, the No. 1 man on the Brooklyn combination, made his first appearance of the season as a representative of the team and easily won his match from Stephen V. Brubans, lead-off player for the Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—1, 6—4. Anderson's absence from the courts has not detracted from his ability, if his exhibition of yesterday is to be taken as a criterion. Anderson was clearly superior to his opponent, and the result of the match was a foregone conclusion from the start.

Reginald Talmage found a different sort of opposition, however, in Ralph Sommer of the Sixty-ninth Regiment team, and it was only after the greatest effort that he was able to overtake his opponent's big leads in both sets to win. In the first frame Sommer went into a lead at 4—2, only to have Talmage come with a rush and capture four straight games to win. In the second set Sommer again took the lead at 4—2, and once more Talmage called on his reserve powers and stroked with such strength and accuracy that he was able to duplicate his feat of winning four straight games for the set and match.

Bruneau's victory over Sheppard also was scored in the face of a disadvantage. Games followed service in the first set and Sheppard went into the lead at 6—5, but Bruneau denied the set by winning his own service and then won out by breaking through his opponent for the first time and keeping his own service impenetrable. The match was fast and furious, and it was evident that Sheppard was making a bitter bid for the match when he took the first three games of the second frame. Once more Bruneau pulled himself together and came up on even terms. But once more the Sixty-ninth Regiment player took the lead at 6—5 and was within reach of the set when a third determined rally by the Brooklyn representative gave him three straight victories for the set and match, 8—6, 6—4.

Wood Irving was the only player to score a victory for the Sixty-ninth Regiment in the singles matches, defeating Dr. Nestor Cretin.

The summaries:

Singles—Frank T. Anderson, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, defeated S. V. Brubans, Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—1, 6—4; Reginald Talmage, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, defeated Ralph Sommer, Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—4, 6—4; Armand L. Bruneau, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, defeated Frank Sheppard, Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—6, 8—6; Wood Irving, Sixty-ninth Regiment, defeated Dr. Walter A. Cretin, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, 6—4, 6—1; William M. Ruxton, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, defeated Jack Gilmore, Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—3, 6—2; Frank Maloney, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, defeated Paul Cook, Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—3, 6—2.

Doubles—Talmage and Bruneau, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, defeated Brubans and Sheppard, Sixty-ninth Regiment, 6—3, 6—4; Anderson and Ruxton, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, and Sommer and Gould, Sixty-ninth Regiment, played 7—5, 6—6, unfinished; Irving and Gilmore, Sixty-ninth Regiment, defeated Arndt and Thompson, Brooklyn Indoor Tennis Club, 6—3, 6—2.

FRENCH CHALLENGE FOR THE DAVIS CUP

Make Formal Entry in International Tennis Play for Historic Trophy.

ASK FOR EUROPEAN DRAW

Express Desire to Play Preliminary Rounds Abroad in 1924—Reached Final Last Season.

The second formal challenge for the Davis Cup was received yesterday at the offices of the United States Lawn Tennis Association. France has followed the example of Ireland in making known its intentions early of playing for the historic international cup this year and, like Ireland, also has requested that it be drawn in the European zone of play. The challenge is signed by General Secretary Pierre Gillon. In addition to these two countries, Australia and New Zealand also have announced in cable dispatches that they intend to challenge. Entries do not close until March 15.

Last year France put one of the strongest teams into the field of any of the seventeen nations in the play. She was drawn in the European zone and defeated all the other teams in the preliminaries, coming to this country to play the Australians for the right to meet the United States in the challenge round. In the final round of the European zone matches the French defeated the strong team from Spain 3 to 2, using Henri Cochet, René Lacoste, M. Blanchy and Jacques Brugnon. Cochet, the star member of the combination, was unable to come to the United States to play in the final round against Australia. Lacoste, Brugnon and Pierre Hirsch were sent over and were defeated 4 matches to 1.

SHUGRUE SEEKS KNOCKOUT.

Hopes to Score Decisively Over Pal Moran at Garden.

His confidence restored as a result of his convincing victory over Luis Vicentini, Chilean lightweight, Johnny Shugrue, Jersey City lightweight, will strive for a knockout on Friday night when he engages Pal Moran, New Orleans lightweight, in the feature twelve-round bout at Madison Square Garden. Shugrue is eager to establish himself as a worthy rival for any first-class lightweight and expects to gain this recognition at the expense of Moran. The Crescent City boxer, since knocking out Charlie White, has scored a victory over Johnny Mendelsohn, Western lightweight, as part of a campaign he has instituted to obtain a match against Champion Benny Leonard. Moran is confident he will eliminate Shugrue from his path and is training hard for the coming bout.

In the other twelve-round bout Sid Terris, east side featherweight, will engage Eddie (Kid) Wagner of Philadelphia. This contest is expected to produce a suitable ring rival for Johnny Dundee, world's featherweight champion.

Four Eight-Round Bouts in Armory.

Four eight-round bouts will be held at the 102d Medical Regiment Armory Thursday night. The principals will be: Ned Fitzgerald vs. Young Diamond, Bobby Green vs. Jack Rafferty, Billy Wells vs. Joe Zink and Frankie Cronin vs. Joe Recht.

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THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR.

Just as Ambassador KELLOGG is landing in England, word comes that the British Ambassador to the United States is resigning on account of prolonged ill-health. This retirement of Sir AUCKLAND GEDDES will be regretted by Americans for both personal and public reasons. While it cannot be said that Sir AUCKLAND has made for himself a reputation in this country comparable to that of Ambassador BRYCE—what Englishman could have done that?—or to have acquired the diplomatic weight gained here by Sir JULIAN PAUNCEFOTE, he has been a useful and increasingly acceptable Ambassador. Particularly at the Washington conference were his services of value both in interpreting to the British Government and its other delegates to the conference American sentiment, as he had learned to read it, and in co-operating with Secretary HUGHES in securing the adoption of the Naval Treaty and the abolition of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

As was intimated, Sir AUCKLAND'S successor, Sir ESMÉ HOWARD, has been taken from within the British diplomatic service. This is a reversion to the old rule, though it might perhaps indicate that the new appointment is expected to be only temporary. If a Labor Government is soon to come into power in England, it might desire, even if it knew that it would be short-lived, to send an Ambassador to Washington to represent its special policies. On the other hand, Mr. RAMSAY MACDONALD is reported to be anxious to make his Premiership, if it comes, as little upsetting as possible to ancient governmental practices, so that he might prefer to leave the chief diplomatic assignments undisturbed. Unsettled political conditions in England will make it unlikely for some time to come that a British Ambassador will be sent to the United States chosen, from outside the regular service possibly, especially to represent and further the hopes and promises now wrapped up in the peculiarly cordial relations between the two countries. Meanwhile, Ambassador HOWARD will be received with due recognition of the fact that the fortunes and influence of the two nations throughout the world are today more closely tied together than ever before.

ARMS FOR MEXICO.

The decision of the Washington Government to sell a limited quantity of war material to President OBREGON of Mexico is a step the importance and gravity of which need no arguing. It is not simply a question of the removal of the embargo on the shipment of arms from private sources across the Mexican border. That still remains in force so far as concerns the revolutionists. But to the Mexican Government is to be sold a certain number of rifles from the reserve supply of the American Government, together with several million rounds of ammunition. This is at the desire of the Mexican Government, which also is understood to have asked the United States to sell to it a couple of cruisers. If this latter request actually was made, it must have been in forgetfulness of Article XVIII. of the Washington treaty for limiting naval armaments, which bound each of the contracting Powers "not to dispose by gift, sale "or any mode of transfer, of any vessel "of war in such a manner that "such vessel may become a vessel of "war in the navy of any foreign "Power." No similar prohibition lies against the sale of arms, although President HARDING had set his face against it.

Departure from the rule which he had laid down could have been made by the present Administration only for powerful motives. What these are Secretary HUGHES has left us in little doubt. After his long delay in recognizing the Obregon Government, he thinks it of the highest concern to this country, and to the international relations of Mexico, that the Mexican Government should not be overthrown by a revolution. Mr. HUGHES speaks of the great desirability of maintaining "stability and orderly constitu-"tional procedure in the neighboring "republic." This is in line with his repeated and solemn warnings to Honduras, which have but recently been made public. In general, the policy of our Government toward revolution in Central and South America has been more and more clearly defined in recent years. President WILSON virtually took the position that no revolutionary Government set up by force in any of those countries would be recognized by the United States. That precise question is not at present involved in the Mexican insurrection, but it soon may be. In the plainest way our Government has served notice on the Huertista revolutionists that it is against them, and is even willing to aid President OBREGON in driving them from the field. It is denied that this implies any "interference" in Mexico's internal affairs. But it is certain that the Mexican rebels will think it interference of the most explicit and unwarranted kind.

The indications have been for some days that the cause of the revolutionists is waning. But suppose they should finally win? They would cherish a resentment against the United States which would complicate matters badly. On the other hand, cynical army officers will not be lacking to suggest privately that the Springfield rifles sold to the Obregon Government will one day be fired against American troops of intervention. There is small likelihood that anything of the kind will ever occur, yet the bare possibility of it must have entered into the calculations of our State Department.

It has now definitely sided with the existing Mexican Government, and is doubtless ready to impress upon all Latin-American republics the desire of the United States that orderly government be everywhere maintained. This is no tyrannical policy of a superior Power. It is unquestionably conceived to be in the interest of all concerned. But even if it be conceded to be wise, the risks involved in executing it are exemplified in this Government sale of arms to the Mexican Government.

PROHIBITION CREDITS.

According to the end-of-the-year statement put forth by the general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League, prohibition is not only not a failure, but is one of the most prosperous of enterprises and is paying large public dividends. Nothing is said in the glowing report of rum-running, bootlegging and other accompaniments and sequelæ of attempted prohibition, but it is to be assumed that they have been taken into account in the substantial balances that are being carried over.

The cumulative credits include, in this estimate, first of all the saving of 873,000 lives in the last four years, which is said to mean a profit to insurance companies and policy holders of $678,789,000. (This sounds a little like the boy's essay on pins which had saved thousands of lives by not being swallowed.) A second item is the increase of savings accounts by more than $1,000,000,000, and of new insurance policies of $11,000,000,000, not to mention the increase in taxable wealth by the "increased valuation of former saloon sites." A third credit is to be found in the reduction in arrests for drunkenness, estimated to be 2,000,000 fewer in the four years by reason of prohibition, and a consequent decrease in the penal ratio and a considerable increase in charity funds released for constructive work. There are incidental credits also claimed; such as lowered industrial accidents, safer roads for the 4,000,000 new automobiles, many of which were bought by "former impoverished drinkers"; increased home building, and a "daily "pentecost of 3,000 new church mem-"bers."

A footnote or postscript explains, however, that all these benefits are not due to prohibition unaided, but the assumption is made by this ex parte statistician that without prohibition these fruits of sobriety, thrift and industry could not have been grown. Mr. WHEELER should in all fairness list employers and policemen and ministers and priests and better wages and social efforts and health agencies have some, at least, of the initial allotment of credit. There would even then have been enough left for prohibition. But it would have been a more convincing summary if he had shown the liabilities as well as the assets. The public would then have been the better able to reach a conclusion as to the real volume and value of the reported balances.

THE PAY OF JUDGES.

What would the average New York Alderman get for his public service on a quantum meruit basis? It is no wonder if the startling increase in the wages of these statesmen has prompted the friends of economy in the Board of Estimate to suggest an increase in the salaries of Supreme Court Justices in this city. The recent addition of ten Justices to the bench of the judicial district makes the resolutions of Mr. COSSMAN suspicious to the cynical. A Supreme Court Justice outside of New York now gets $10,000. A Supreme Court Justice in the city gets $17,500, the city paying the difference. Now there is an effort to make the pay of the city Justices $25,000 a year, the taxpayers shouldering the new burden.

In his letter of resignation to Governor SMITH, Justice COHALAN repeats the familiar arguments for higher salaries for members of the city Supreme Court. The salaries were fixed long ago. The price of living has risen greatly. Every now and then a Judge resigns to resume the practice of the law. Justice COHALAN names no definite sum. He suggests that the amount be such "as to per-"mit even men of moderate means or "with families to become and remain "Judges." He tells a reporter that "he would double the salary if he had his way." This excessive proposal doesn't tend to recommend the more moderate one of his letter.

The great prizes of the bar must always be much higher than any possible judicial salary. The State can't compete with wealthy clients. The honor of the post must count for something, for a good deal; nor can we believe that men of moderate means with families can't become and remain Judges. The Chief Justice of the United States gets $15,000 a year. The Associate Justices get $14,500. The Chief Judge of the State Court of Appeals gets $14,200; the Associate Judges get $13,700. This is small pay, but the people of the State have refused to raise it. If they wouldn't do this for the State Court of last resort, they surely won't do it for the better paid Justices of the Supreme Court.

In the present dissatisfied temper of the voters, in their strong disgust at swollen governmental expenditure and taxation, the enlargement of judicial salaries, no matter if some of them ought to be raised, is untimely, an imprudence if not a folly.

AQUATIC CALIFORNIANS.

California, which gave the world the one-piece bathing suit and made the bathing girl an institution without which no home is complete, has just produced another marine marvel. Its name, according to a professor who described it to the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology, is porio thynnatatus, but it is better known to its neighbors as the Illuminated Shouting Fish.

Without wishing to invade the field of biologists, or to attempt profane explanation of the slow mysteries of evolution, one may hazard the guess that this was a mere fish, dark and silent like most other fish, in the old Spanish days before the arrival of those who became the first American Californians. From his retreat in the coastal waters the fish saw what happened to the leisured Spanish rancheros, who were content to be worthy without advertising their worth to the universe. Where are they now? Porio thynnatatus, discovering that only the fittest survive, put on protective coloring and adapted himself to the changing times in California. Now he swims about wearing 350 gleaming phosphorescent lights, like a Hudson River boat. No Californian ever hid his candle under a bushel, not even a Californian fish.

But light alone is not enough. All the senses must be assaulted. Porio thynnatatus, the professor tells us, shouts violently as it leaps on the little fish and consumes them. The lesson of the California realtor is not in vain. California is a great State for people who can adapt themselves to their environment, but it is no place for little fish.

OUR EXCESS OF FOOD IMPORTS.

The Department of Commerce reports that the proportion of our food exports is decreasing and that of imports is increasing. In November food imports were 26 per cent. of all, an increase of 4 per cent. over last year. Exports of foodstuffs were 17 per cent. of all, against 23 per cent. last year. This tendency is most marked in raw foods. In November we exported $14,461,000, against $33,615,000, raw foods, and imported $40,124,000, against $32,650,000 last year.

This confirms a trade change first remarked by the Department of Agriculture in the figures for the fiscal year ending with last June. Then for the first time in history there was an excess debit on the agricultural products movement, as the department calculates it. The total agricultural imports were $2,315,000,000, and exports $1,927,000,000. The excess imports were $388,000,000, against excess exports of $474,000,000 in the previous year. There is no occasion for remark in increasing imports in increasing quantities, for an increasing population, of such foods as sugar, tea, coffee, cocoa; spices and other tropical products. Silk and rubber are foods for factories, and as our prosperity increases it is equally natural, perhaps even encouraging, that there should be larger imports of them.

There is less cause for gratification in decreasing quantities of food exports. Naturally, agricultural production increases abroad as the soldiers turn farmers and low industrial production releases labor for the fields. Where the shoe pinches is that we sell abroad smaller amounts of what foreign consumers import. The Canadian farmers have not had the generous help given our farmers, but they have won over them in the world market. They have helped themselves by increasing production, while errors of credit plunged our farmers into land speculation. Mortgage interest and principal is the stone around our farmers' necks. Their own Secretary tells them candidly and truly that there is no hope in price fixing.

We have been free with advice to foreign friends that they must work themselves out of their troubles. So must our farmers. They should raise less politics, which is proving so poor a reliance, and more of what we import, such as wool, sugar, flax.

THE COURT OF PUBLIC OPINION.

Recently a Federal court dismissed an application for a mandamus to compel the Pennsylvania Railroad to comply with an order of the Railroad Labor Board to recognize a particular union. The court says that the union has received its full legal rights in getting an opinion from the board. There is no legal sanction in support of the board's orders, and the only appeal is to the "court of public opinion."

It is far from following that the Railroad Labor Board is useless, or powerless, because the courts do not support it in exceeding the powers given it under the Transportation act. Power to enforce its orders was not given because of the demonstrated impossibility of compulsory arbitration of labor disputes. There are those who now wish to abolish the Labor Board and return to the conditions wherein railway workers enforced their demands by strikes, and the public interest suffered because there was no way of compelling strikers to work pending discovery of the merits of the dispute. For that reason the Labor Board was set up to find and report the facts before a strike and inform the court of public opinion regarding the merits in order that the right should prevail.

It hardly can be said that the disobedient railways defy the board when the courts support them, and express an opinion that the board goes too far in recognizing the unions which appeal to it. It chances that on the very day the board was told the law there was reported an example of real defiance of the public interests. Railways continue to serve the public while they appeal to the courts, but in Arkansas on Saturday there was ended a strike which defied them. Thirteen unions were involved and a score of unionists were criminally convicted of arson, bridge burning, track destruction and other sabotage. The strike had been running since 1921 and the main issue was an attempt to compel recognition of the unions. On Saturday the order was entered releasing the convicted men and establishing the railway as an open shop.

There is no need to emphasize the difference between the appeals taken by the railways and the unions when the law is against them. Public opinion will sustain the Labor Board when its decisions are in the public interest and within the law. It fulfills a useful purpose and the public has need of it, but not as a court interpreting the law which it administers. Paraphrasing President COOLIDGE, it may be said that there is no right to stop a public utility in order to discover the law regarding disputes. Unions and railways must both keep working when they disagree, pending the appeal to the court of public opinion.

THE DUMB SPEAK.

Vast worlds invisible to the naked eye of man have in recent times been brought within his sight by the telescope and the microscope. There is prospect now that other worlds as vast, which have hitherto seemed dumb to the ears of man, will be brought within his hearing. The miracle has been performed which promises that we shall be able to reproduce and record, if not to hear, "all the sounds of the earth of which "we have heretofore remained in com-"plete ignorance." Some may regret that the range of human hearing has been so widened that we may become conscious of that "infinite symphony made by the insects," which GEORGE ELIOT intimated would bring to our consciousness a new world of misery. But it is not an intrusive world. It may not be heard in all its woe or ephemeral joy except by those who put their ears to the microphone.

No one can estimate what man may learn from the conversations of these little creatures, which have till now been heard only in the imaginations of the poet and philosopher. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN'S charming letter on the ephemerics hints at the entertainment that awaits those who have ears to hear these infinitesimal musicians and talkers passing the time in discussion without paying any attention to the brevity of their life, as if they had at least a month to live instead of only ten hours. It is another picture than one of an insect world uttering complaint or misery that he presents in his playful philosophic fable:

"Happy people," I said to myself, "you must certainly live under a very "just, wise and kindly Government, "and because you have no complaint "to make and because no matter if "discontent engage your attention "you can spend your life discussing "the qualities and defects of the music "of your neighbors."

There are many uses to which the microphone can be put to the direct benefit of human life. Warnings can be heard at greater distance on sea and land; high vibrations within the human body may be made audible to the scientist, and practical additions made to man's acquaintance with the forces that make for his comfort as well as for the diversion of his mind in the music that is let loose from these unheard wings. Above all, we may now hear a new kind of "eloquent dumb discourse" for the instruction of man. The savant may send us to creatures humbler than the ant for wisdom.

THE BRIGHTEST SUNFLOWER.

The world hears perhaps often enough from those Kansan illuminati, HOWE, WHITE and CAPPER. It hears too seldom from or of the chief glory of Kansas, FOSTER DWIGHT COSSMAN of Topeka. The register of fame, "Who's Who," leaves him out. Yet for fifty years he has served his State in many capacities and made it at last the cheerfulest and most self-satisfied community on earth. His reports when he was Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture were not only practical and highly informed; they are among the most famous specimens of Kansas literature.

There is an Indiana reading book. Perhaps there is a Kansas one. If so, it contains no better examples of wit, eloquence and poesy than characteristic passages from Mr. COSSMAN'S masterpieces, "The Hog and His Habitat," "The Helpful Hen," and "The Beef Steer and His Sister." Mr. COSSMAN reinvented Kansas. He yanked it out of the doleful dumps of the Farmers' Alliance and Populism. He persuaded the Kansans that the blizzards of their gifted Commonwealth were Summer zephyrs and the fiery winds that scorched the corn precursors of fruitful rains. "What "we lost in corn we will more than "make up in wheat next Spring."

Was there a plague of grasshoppers? Be exceeding glad for them, for they "are the best crop reporters in "the world. They know where to "find a land of plenty." From his honored retirement he continues to encourage Kansas. This year his message, sent to The Kansas City Star, which rightly calls him "the noblest Kansan of them all," is "Smile, Darn You, Smile!" The smile of ARTHUR CAPPER, trying to marry the bonus to tax reduction, must be wan and wry.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

A Mystery May Be Solved.

Now that two posts of the American Legion in this vicinity have been formally charged with the crime of opposing "adjusted compensation" and will be brought to trial before the organization's high tribunal, it seems likely that at last there will be obtained some real information as to just how many of the ex-service men want a bonus and how many of them think none should be given.

Of course, that will not be exactly the question at issue at the coming inquisition. Nominally, it will be to determine whether or not these two posts have violated Legion laws by the public expression of an opinion on a subject reserved for settlement by the Legion as a whole at its largest gathering. That technicality, however, will not prevent a general overhauling of the whole problem.

Officially, the Legion is strong for the bonus, and in both houses of Congress it seems to be taken for granted that the official position is the one taken, if not by all members of the Legion, at least by a large and effectual majority of them. That this assumption is true has been doubted by many, and it hardly is believable that the two posts now under "indictment" are alone in voting almost unanimously against the granting of a bonus.

Facts That Test Themselves.

"Intelligence tests" are producing queer results — so queer, some of them, that one is inclined, now and then, to suspect that the tests show more about the tests than they do about the tested.

When it was reported, the other day, that one investigator had found the girls of Radcliffe more intelligent than the Harvard boys, the inclination was to ask if the earlier maturing of girls, than of boys had been taken into account, or if the seeming difference had been correlated to the sort of work that both would be called upon to do in later life. Men hardly can be called less successful than women, and if their intelligence is inferior a new definition must be given to that word.

Since then somebody out in Wisconsin has been testing Indians, white folks and negroes with a view to finding out which of the three can stand mental fatigue best and soonest recover from it. The Indians were the victors, the whites ranked second, and the negroes last.

If that proves any more than that Indian brains can endure best, and negro brains worst, the particular strains to which the three groups were subjected, it would be hard to say what was proved. Certainly it does not prove the Indians intellectual giants as compared with the other two races.

Business and Intelligence.

Another result of the tests ma in Wisconsin was the demonstration that between business success and intelligence there is no measurable relation. So the investigator reports, at any rate, and most of us can think of persons who illustrate his contention brilliantly. When we do it, however, we are apt to remember that we ourselves are not successful in such business enterprises, if any, as we have engaged in and our judgment of those who can do what we cannot is apt to be a warped one.

That business success is possible for men with little or no formal education and entirely unread in everything except perhaps one newspaper a day, hastily scanned, is known to all, but diversity of knowledge is not the same thing as intelligence, while frankness might compel the much-reading man to confess that if he had the ability or inclination to do more he probably would devote less time to books which tell or show what other men have done.

"Business" is only one of the many activities of which human beings are capable, and there is nothing peculiar in the fact—if it is a fact—that special talents along that line involve the lack of special talents along other lines.

Possibly what intelligence tests reveal in the cases that attract attention and comment is that no tests yet devised compare minds of a single kind—business men with other business men, for instance, and not business men with scholars or musicians or soldiers or farmers. All these, to be normal human beings, must have a certain amount of intelligence in common, but each, to achieve notable eminence, must have additional intelligence of the sort useful in the domain where alone success for him is attainable. The difference between the delegates to a convention of shoe manufacturers or of ironmasters would mean something, but the differences between them and the savants now gathered in Ohio are not such as to give either group the right to claim mental superiority over the other.

MEMORIAL IN THE PARK.

Commissioner Gallatin Explains the 'Compromise' on Reservoir Site.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Your editorial of this morning referring to the reluctance of my approval of the proposed treatment of the lower reservoir prompts me to write a few words in advance of the publication of the proposed scheme, which will take place in a few days.

In your editorial it is taken for granted that the execution of such a project would be an invasion of the park. Let us turn for a moment to the law on the subject. The leading case, a case to which all park lovers turn, is Williams vs. Gallatin, 229 N. Y., 248. This was a taxpayer's action brought to restrain the Commissioner of Parks from leasing the Arsenal Building in Central Park to the Safety Institute of America. It was held that such leasing would be an improper use of park property. After a consideration of the meaning of the term "park purposes" it continues, at page 258:

"Monuments and buildings of architectural pretension which attract the eye and divert the mind of the visitor, floral and horticultural displays, zoological gardens, playing grounds, and even restaurants and rest houses and many other common incidents of a pleasure ground, contribute to the use and enjoyment of the park. The end of all such embellishments and conveniences is substantially the same—public good. They facilitate free public means of pleasure, recreation and amusement and thus provide for the welfare of the community. The environment must be suitable and sightly, or the pleasure is abated. Art may aid or supplement nature in completing the attractions offered."

From this case it will be clearly seen that the erection of a war memorial which has no utilitarian purposes cannot even in the strictest construction of the law be considered a diversion of the park from its proper purposes.

So far I have assumed that the reservoir site is a part of the park. As a matter of fact it is not, although it is highly desirable that it should become so. When I spoke of "compromise" I did not have in view a compromise of principle, but simply one of method. I had many times in the past, as in my letter to the Art Commission, indicated my preference as to the treatment of this space when it should be turned over to this department. During the years of study which have been given to the plans many concessions have been made to my wishes, and it seemed to me to be but fair that I should yield on my part in some manner when the object in view was so important as the adding of some thirty odd acres to our limited park space.

I would energetically oppose any encroachment upon the park, but I heartily encourage any possible enlargement if so treated as to become an integral part of the landscape.

The scheme, which has not yet been made public, does contemplate this to the fullest extent and also provides for playgrounds for children.

As I have already said, a very important consideration in the matter is that unless some such use for this large area is proposed it is not likely that it will be acquired for park purposes for many years to come, and I cannot imagine any better or more appropriate occasion to bring about such an extension than the one now contemplated. The proposed project is not an encroachment, but an enlargement of park area. It may also be of interest at this time for you to know that the authors of the design and city authorities have very wisely been in consultation with a distinguished committee of architects, landscape architects and sculptors, who have guided them from the very inception of the scheme to what we believe will impress the public, when the treatment is made known, as a very happy and impressive solution of this problem.

FRANCIS D. GALLATIN,
Park Commissioner.
New York, Dec. 29, 1923.

DAYS.

The New Year carries
A bag on his back,
New like a peddler
He comes with his pack.

But he will not wait,
As peddlers should,
While I choose between
The bad and good.

He gives to me
One day, and then
Tomorrow he'll give
A day again.

I said to him:
"Old years have brought
Much that I never
Loved or sought.

"The old years took
Much good," I said,
"They have left me
Uncomforted.

"When will there come
A year so kind
I can choose what it takes
Or leaves behind?"

But the New Year stood
Unanswering,
And every day
Was a sealed thing.

Nobody knows
What the day will be,
And never a year
Has answered me.

Yet when it comes
With its full pack,
Slung like a peddler's
On its back,

I always think
That I may be glad
Of something there
I have never had!

LOUISE DRISCOLL.

MUNICIPAL JUSTICES.

Forty-Seven Not to Be Condemned for the Faults of One or Two.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

In your paper of Dec. 29 there is a headline "Attorney Attacks Municipal Justices," and you quote a letter written by that attorney to the Bar Association.

It is the opinion of some that the best way to answer an unjust attack made by some one through the newspapers is to ignore it. Answering it accentuates it and causes more publicity and creates an opinion that the attack may have had some justification, at least that is what some believe and say.

I do not agree with this opinion and will take the risk of whatever opinion may be formed by this reply. I shall believe the public is fair-minded enough to listen to both sides.

As one of the Justices of the court attacked, I resent the statement of the attorney who made the attack that "the attitude of the average Municipal Court Justice toward the lawyer is a surly and insulting one" and resent and deny his reflections and statements of alleged prevailing conditions.

Whether a correct decision was given against him by some Justice in some case that aroused the attorney's ire or he aroused the temper of some Justice by his conduct and combativeness I do not know, but he has no right, as an officer of the court that he should respect, to apply his opinion to the average Municipal Court Justice.

If by "average" he intends to find fault with one or two of the Justices, perhaps no notice would be taken or should be taken of his attack, but the public understands "average" to mean all the Justices together—taking them as a whole, they are of the alleged type complained of.

If that attorney believes that he has a grievance against one or two, he should not condemn all. There may be one or two Justices upon the Municipal Court bench whose manner of conducting business might be improved, or who in the opinion of all members of the bar do not come up to their unanimous universal standard, but, taking the Justices all together, they are all human, and you will find the same human failing among the forty-seven Justices of that court as you will find among forty-seven Justices of any other court or among forty-seven men in any other calling or profession. All cannot measure up to the required standard, and because one or two fall short, the entire bench is not to be condemned or the so-called average Judge criticized.

An established school for Justices, consisting of all the Justices of all the courts, might improve delinquents, or a complaint made only to the Judge who so ruffled the temper of that complaining attorney, and without condemning the entire bench that handles more cases and does more work than any other court in the world, would be sufficient. But the publication of the uncalled-for language and sentiments as contained in that attorney's letter works more to create disrespect for our courts than the efforts of a hundred Bolsheviki.

A JUSTICE.
New York, Dec. 28, 1923.

SILENCE ON THE TARIFF.

When Will the People Throw Off a Burden Heavier Than Income Tax?

To the Editor of The New York Times:

The paean of praise of Secretary Mellon's program of tax reduction to which your columns this morning, like the pipes of a magnificent organ, gave utterance, should not be permitted to drown the complaint that the Republican Administration evinces no intention to lay siege to that citadel of privilege, the protective tariff.

For every dollar exacted from a limited class by the income tax, hundreds are abstracted from the whole people by the system of indirect taxation farmed out by the Government to favored classes. President Coolidge has classified himself as a standpatter who will never flutter the dovecotes of privilege.

It is one of the marvels of history that the people of the United States have for three generations, with only occasional and brief periods of revolt, submitted to indefensible robbery through a tariff system based upon arguments that ought not to deceive a child and that has weakened the fibre of our business men and sapped the national morals.

Perhaps, after all, there is something in the results obtained by the army intelligence tests.

Reduction of direct taxes is well. Reduction and eventual abolition (in no long time) of the protective tariff is an urgent need. It must be confessed that the prospect of such relief from the burdens of unreasonable living costs and agricultural depression, of which the tariff is the chief factor, is not encouraging. Both political parties are subject to the same control and the beneficiaries of the system contribute cynically and equally to both.

Where is the Democrat who will lead the fight? Perhaps he will appear when our people shall have acquired a modicum of the intelligence recently demonstrated by the hard-pressed people of Great Britain.

ABRAHAM BENEDICT.
New York, Dec. 28, 1923.

FRIENDS OF THE LEAGUE.

Believed That Many Americans Would So Declare Themselves.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Your editorial article on Professor Mitchell's urging that the $400,000 out from the budget of the League of Nations be made up by voluntary contributions is a good one. If I could be of any service I would be glad to co-operate.

R. H. MacCRRADY.
New York, Dec. 28, 1923.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I cannot tell you how glad I was to read the editorial article in THE TIMES on the "Friends of the League." It was a voice which I had been longing to hear for a long time.

There are friends of the League in every city and town throughout the country, but they are scattered and lack influence because not linked up in some common association. They believe that America should join with the other nations in an effort to prevent war and deplore the fact of its standing out when the hope of the world rests upon its co-operation.

If the friends who believe in the League and want America to add her mighty power to increase its influence would get together in some non-partisan organization, beginning in local places and extending into State and national associations, it would cause Congress and both political parties to sit up and listen. And from this great united sentiment all necessary financial support would be given.

(Rev.) EDGAR W. PREBLE.
Maplewood, N. J., Dec. 29, 1923.

TACNA-ARICA SETTLEMENT.

Award of Provinces to Bolivia With Compensation to Chile and Peru.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

The settlement of the long-standing dispute between Peru and Chile regarding the ownership of the provinces of Tacna and Arica, which has been submitted to the arbitration of the President of the United States, is of great importance for the peaceful development—and therefore for the trade—of South America, but it is difficult to see what decision could be given which would not arouse a bellicose outcry in one or both of the countries concerned.

At the end of the war of 1879, when Bolivia was forced to cede to Chile the whole of her littoral—the province of Antofagasta—and Peru, by the treaty of Ancon, to cede the provinces of Tarapaca, the two provinces of Tacna and Arica were made a kind of "buffer State," to be administered by Chile pending definite settlement of ownership. This was to be decided in ten years' time by a general "plebiscite" of the inhabitants, a specified sum, about $5,000,000, being paid by the successful country as compensation to the other.

When the time came Chile maintained that the colonists and soldiers, whom she had meanwhile encouraged to immigrate, had a right to vote, while Peru insisted that only the original inhabitants had this right.

This dispute has never been settled, and the plebiscite has consequently not been held, Chile remaining in occupation of the provinces, and the matter being a cause of continual bitterness between the two countries.

Conditions have changed so much during the many years that have passed that it would appear impossible to reproduce now the circumstances contemplated in the treaty, so that the way seems perhaps to be open to a commonsense solution.

One of the very embodiments of common sense is exchange. "A" has what "B" and "C" require, "A" and "C" what "B" needs, and so on; they exchange, and all are the gainers. But for the adjustment of this exchange some medium is necessary; money was invented, and it answers the purpose admirably.

Now, to apply this to the case in point—Tacna and Arica are not of great importance to Chile. They have little agricultural or mineral value, consisting as they do of a desert with a few small fertile valleys, while their administration is a source of continual expense. For the same reason they are of little value to Peru.

But to Bolivia they would be invaluable; they would give her the outlet to the sea for which she has been craving ever since she lost Antofagasta. In fact, a railway already exists from the Bolivian capital to Arica, Bolivia, of course, has no right to these provinces, but that is where the adjusting value of money comes in. She would be ready to pay heavy compensation to both Peru and Chile, and, in addition, compensate Chile for the expense of administration during all the past years.

This would appear to be by far the best solution. Chile would be happy so long as Peru did not get the disputed provinces. Peru would be contented that Chile had not obtained them. Both would be delighted to get the money, of which they both stand in need, while Bolivia would gladly work hard in her mines and her plantations to pay the compensation which would free her at last from the humiliation and disadvantage of being cut off from access to the world's highway of the seas.

There is the solution, but can a legal excuse be found for applying it?

Will the President have the far-sightedness, the resolution and the infinite tact necessary to acquire the power thus to cut the Gordian knot which the strain of forty years of tension has tightened beyond hope of loosening, and so set free the beneficent forces of friendship, commerce and prosperity on the west coast of South America?

"Ojala!" Which, being interpreted, is, "God grant it!"

A FOREIGNER IN SOUTH AMERICA.
Antofagasta, Dec. 6, 1923.

NON-PARTISAN TAX STAND.

Democrats Can Unite With Republicans for the Mellon Program.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

Is there so little patriotism left in this country that a measure which must affect 80 per cent. of the people can find no united support? We know the masses often are inarticulate, but, in this instance, in an incredibly short space of time, a distinct approval of Mr. Mellon's effort for the relief of overburdened taxpayers is heard all over the country. It ultimately means the stabilization of industries, consequently progress, development and, in the jargon of long ago, "a full dinner pail," which modernly interpreted means "ample opportunity for all."

Unfortunately, the little men strutting about the halls of Congress, mentally small, blind and hard of hearing, can make sufficient noise to create temporary confusion, but concerted action can be taken by men who dare place their country above the partisan and political game. They can drown the near-Americans of to-day as successfully as they did those of 1917 when the Draft bill had to be passed and concerted action won the day. In other words, real Republicans and real Democrats in both houses of Congress have a very definite bit of ground upon which they can stand shoulder to shoulder. It is the reverse of "no man's land," and over it floats the Stars and Stripes! Here Republicans and Democrats meet with the same aim in mind, the former standing solidly behind the greatest Secretary of the Treasury since the days of Hamilton, the latter in support of that plank in the Democratic national platform of 1920 when they solemnly declared the following a part of their political creed:

"The continuance in force in peace times of taxes devised under pressure of imperative necessity to produce a revenue for war purposes is indefensible and can only result in lasting injury to the people.

"We advocate tax reform and a searching revision of the war revenue acts to fit peace conditions, so that the wealth of the nation may not be withdrawn from productive enterprise and diverted to wasteful or non-productive expenditure."

MAUDE WETMORE.
New York, Dec. 28, 1923.

Registration of Aliens.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

No law passed by the United States Congress since the foundation of the Republic smacks more of Czarism than the proposed registration of aliens as suggested by Secretary of Labor Davis in his annual report of 1923. Such a bill would smite for an oppression of our alien folk which the very spirit of our concept of freedom cries out against. Such a bill would open the door to numberless cruelties, untold hardships and a forfeiture of the principles of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" as laid down in the Constitution of the United States.

Our Government has ever protected a registration of American citizens in foreign lands wherever such registration has entailed a penalty, holding such registration and penalty a violation of treaty.

How, then, can our Mr. Davis reconcile his proposed legislation with the protest made by our own Government?

D. L. COLE.
New York, Dec. 29, 1923.

DEMAND INCREASES FOR BOK PEACE PLAN

Philadelphia Asks for 700,000 Copies for the Referendum.

BIG STORES TO CAST VOTE

Lord & Taylor's, Bonwit, Teller & Co. and Franklin Simon & Co. to Install Ballot Boxes.

Industries, department stores, trades unions and business associations will help in the "referendum" on the winning plan of the American Peace Award, which will begin with the announcement of the plan on Jan. 7, the Policy Committee of the Award announced yesterday. The winning plan has already been selected by the Jury of Award, of which Elihu Root is Chairman, and has been delivered to Edward W. Bok, donor of $100,000 in prizes, $50,000 of which has already been won by the author of the plan and the other half of which will be awarded if the result of the "referendum" adjudges the plan "practicable."

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company will distribute 5,000 copies of the plan and ballot to the department heads and employes of its home office. Copies of the plan and ballot will be sent to each of the company's 800 agents throughout the country with a letter from Haley Fiske, President of the company, expressing his belief of the public value of obtaining a nation-wide expression of opinion as to the proper relation of the United States to any international action for the prevention of war.

Samuel W. Reyburn, President of Lord & Taylor's, has made a preliminary announcement to the firm's employes, urging them to read the full text of the plan, when published, so as to be ready to cast a considered vote. Ballot boxes for the use of patrons will be placed throughout the store and copies of the plan will be distributed so that shoppers may take them home to read and vote on the ballot sent directly to the office of the American Peace Award at 342 Madison Avenue. Bonwit, Teller & Co. and Franklin Simon & Co. will place ballot boxes throughout their stores.

In Boston, William A. Filene's Sons Company, the Jordan Marsh Company, the C. F. Hovey Company and the C. S. Pierce Company will take a "referendum" of their employes. The Dennison Manufacturing Company of Framingham, Mass., has sent for 3,000 copies of the plan and ballot. In addition, the Selectmen of the town of Framingham have made plans to take the "referendum" among the whole population and will place ballot boxes at convenient points.

Several hundred Chambers of Commerce have made arrangements to help in taking the vote. These organizations represent every section of the country, recent requests for plans and ballots having come from the Chambers of Commerce of Tuscon, Ariz.; Spokane, Wash.; Belfast, Me.; Toledo, Ohio; Shreveport, La.; San Diego, Cal., and Honolulu. Business groups which will help in the "referendum" include the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, the Associated Industries of New York and the Associated Industries of Kentucky.

Orders for the plan and ballot total nearly 700,000 from Philadelphia alone. Berkeley, Cal., has sent for 5,000 copies and Syracuse, N. Y., for 20,000. The Mayor's Committee in Memphis, Tenn., has just asked for 30,000 copies, and another committee is making arrangements for an extensive vote in Baltimore.

A MEMORIAL TO DR. JOWETT.

1,700 Hear Eulogies in Church He Once Led Here.

The service yesterday morning in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, at Fifty-fifth Street, was a memorial to the Rev. Dr. John Henry Jowett, former pastor, who died in London on Dec. 19. More than 1,700 persons were present.

There were eulogies by the Rev. Dr. John Kelman, the pastor, who succeeded Dr. Jowett, and the Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, a secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, of which Dr. Jowett had been a member. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Dr. James Palmer of the Biblical Seminary, who was assistant under Dr. Jowett. The services closed with the singing by the great congregation of an unpublished hymn, "Thy Will Be Done," the words of which Dr. Jowett wrote.

"No words can describe the influence which Dr. Jowett had upon his congregation and the United States," said Dr. Kelman. "On all hands one meets with those who thankfully acknowledge that they owe their souls to him.

"I believe it is safe to say that no man ever crossed the Atlantic westward and brought with him richer spiritual help for men and women than did Dr. Jowett.

In beginning his address, Dr. Kelman said that Dr. Jowett and he were students together in the University of Edinburgh.

"Dr. Jowett did not as a rule meddle with the questions of the hour nor enter into its controversies," said Dr. Kelman. "He had indeed strong views, both ecclesiastical and theological, but his spirit dwelt in a region above them all, where one could see the unimportance of differences which divide Christians below in view of the pure light and eternal worth of these spiritual experiences and realities which abide while earth changes. In the art of preaching it is probable that Jowett had no rival in his time."

Dr. Brown declared that Dr. Jowett believed that "the future of the world, at least for a generation, depended upon America and Great Britain, and he counted it a part of his mission to interpret each to the other and promote mutual understanding and fellowship."

SACCO-VANZETTI BENEFIT.

Concert at Manhattan Opera House Raises Funds for Trial.

Many prominent persons of Italian origin, including Supreme Court Justice Salvatore Cotillo, attended the benefit concert at the Manhattan Opera House last night which was given to collect funds to obtain a retrial for Nicola Sacco and Bartolmeo Vanzetti, under sentence for murder in Massachusetts. The concert was under the auspices of the Corriere d'America, an Italian daily newspaper.

The New York Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Committee, which helped arrange the concert, is composed of Joseph Vitelli, President of the Italian Chamber of Commerce of New York; Dr. John Ferrilli, head of the Italian Hospital; John di Silvestro, Grand Master of the Sons of Italy, and P. J. Simonelli, President of the Italian Savings Bank of New York.

LEEDS TO TRAVEL, NOT WORK

Husband of Russian Princess Not Ready to Enter Business.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Dec. 30.—William B. Leeds who recently came to this country from Europe with his royal bride, the Princess Xenia of Russia and is now staying in this town as the guest of W. H. Green at 209 South Mountain Avenue, is not ready to enter business as a current rumor had it, according to Mr. Green today.

"Mr. Leeds has no intention of going into business in New York, at least not at present," Mr. Green said. "He had been considerably annoyed since publication of that report by a regular flood of mail bringing all sorts of propositions for him to enter business. He and his wife and Colonel George Harvey, former Ambassador to Great Britain, will leave shortly for Rapid A, vacation together. His plans for the future are indefinite."

SOCIAL NOTES

New York.

Mrs. Arthur Ryle of 787 Park Avenue will give a dinner of thirty covers Friday evening for Miss Elizabeth Franklin before the Second Junior Assembly.

Mrs. Samuel C. Van Dusen of 132 East Thirty-fifth Street, will be at home on Thursday afternoons in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Minturn Post Collins and their sons have arrived at the Bon Air Vanderbilt, Augusta, Ga., to spend several weeks.

Mrs. Cass Gilbert, Carleton Macy and Clarence M. Hyde are among those who will entertain at supper this evening at the Ambassador.

The committee of the Wednesday Supper Club announces that the proceeds of tomorrow evening's dance will go to the Arthur Home for Blind Babies at Summit, N. J.

Mrs. A. F. Lauterbach, who was ill for several months at the Westchester-Biltmore Country Club, has returned to 761 Fifth Avenue, but is not yet able to entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Waller Jr. have arrived from Chicago and are at the Ambassador.

Mrs. William A. Prime and Mrs. W. Goadby Loew were among those giving "at homes" yesterday and Mrs. Francis K. Pendleton gave a dinner.

Mrs. Horatio Nelson Slater of 907 Fifth Avenue will entertain this evening with a dance. Mrs. John Sanford of East Seventy-second Street is giving a New Year's Eve party for young people, and Adolph Lewisohn is also entertaining at his home, 881 Fifth Avenue.

Tomorrow Mrs. Henry W. Lowe, 834 Fifth Avenue, is giving a dance for her sub-débutante daughter, Miss Muriel Lowe, and Mrs. Williams Heye will give an afternoon reception for her débutante daughter, Miss Mildred Heye, at the Colony Club. Mrs. Winchester Fitch is also to give a dance at the Ritz-Carlton for Miss Dorothy Fitch.

KILLS TOBACCO SALE LAW.

Judge Rules Virginia Regulation Act Is Unconstitutional.

Special to The New York Times.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 30.—That the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 26, 1923, which seeks to regulate the sale of tobacco in Virginia is unconstitutional, is the opinion of Judge F. W. Whitaker of the Municipal Court here, who handed down yesterday a decision in the case in which the Lynchburg Tobacco Warehouse Corporation was charged with selling tobacco on a loose leaf basis. The charges were preferred by representatives of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association here.

"Indulging every presumption in favor of the statute," said Judge Whitaker, "I cannot escape the conviction, upon reason and authorities, that said act is not a valid exercise of legislative power. No question of the public health, safety, morals or welfare is involved. * * *

"I am, therefore, of opinion that said act is unwarranted interference with the private business affairs of the defendant, and is void."

"THE MOST PERFECT BOY."

Joseph Julien Wins This Honor in Brooklyn Y. M. C. A. Contest.

Joseph Julien, 15 years old, of 29 Hampton Place, a sophomore at Manual Training High School, has won the title, "Brooklyn's most perfect boy," after a contest in which hundreds of other boys competed at the Central Y. M. C. A. The prize is a handsome silver cup. The winner is a stepson of Ralph Crowninshield, an architect.

"Brooklyn's most perfect boy" is 5 feet 2½ inches in height and weighs 113 pounds. He excels at swimming and gymnastics. He is President of the "Help the Other Fellow" Club and he averages more than 80 per cent. in his school work. The prize was awarded for symmetry, physical and mental ability. Joseph is also an Eagle Boy Scout and hopes to become a physical director.

William Barre, 14, son of George Barre, an oil salesman, of 621 Greene Avenue, won second place and John Boice of 210 Lincoln Road was declared the "fattest boy." H. MacVean of 42 Gates Avenue won the honors for the "thinnest boy," while Harry Van Meter of 1,830 East Second Street was said to have the most freckles.

BUCKNELL GETS 250 ACRES.

H. J. Loftus of London Makes Gift in Memory of His Wife.

LEWISBURG, Pa., Dec. 30.—President Emory W. Hunt of Bucknell University, announced today that the University had received a gift of 250 acres of Virginia land, valued at $30,000, from Henry J. Loftus of London. This land, which borders upon the several hundred acre tract recently conveyed to the University by Dr. James S. Swarts of New York City, for forty years chairman of the Board of Trustees, is situated in Fairfax County, Va., between Washington, D. C., and Washington's home at Mount Vernon.

Mr. Loftus is a son of the late Lord Loftus, who for many years was in the diplomatic service of Great Britain. He gave the land in memory of his wife, a daughter of the late William F. Leech, a pioneer in canal and rail transportation in Pennsylvania.

Other large gifts received by Bucknell during the year were $500,000 for a new stadium, $400,000 from the alumni for the Endowment Fund, and $250,000 from the Rockefeller General Education Board.

HOWARD GRAY TO MARRY.

Son of Union Pacific Railroad President Engaged to Miss Conrad.

Special to The New York Times.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 30.—The engagement was announced here last night of Howard Gray of Omaha, son of President Carl Gray of the Union Pacific Railroad, and Miss Lilia Dewcenta Conrad, daughter of J. H. Conrad of Omaha.

Miss Conrad is a graduate of Dana Hall. Howard Gray is a student of the Nebraska University College of Medicine. He was graduated last June from Princeton, where he received the Poe Cup, the highest honor the college offers, granted on merits of character and achievement. He was President of his class for three months and an end of the Princeton football team. He was chosen for the All-America football team.

The date for the wedding was not announced.

Stires-Greenough Wedding Jan. 19.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Battey Greenough of Boston have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Ellen Greenough, to Hardwick Stires, second son of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Stires of this city. The ceremony will take place in Trinity Church, Boston, Saturday, Jan. 19, at 4 o'clock. A reception will follow at the Greenough home, 95 Ivy Street, Brookline. The young couple will live in Boston, where Mr. Stires has entered business.

Traffic Policeman Hit by Auto.

Irving Wagner of 1,595 Park Place, Brooklyn, a policeman attached to the Brownsville station in Brooklyn, was injured last night while being traffic duty at the junction of Eastern Parkway and Ralph and Pitkin Avenues when he was struck by an automobile owned and operated by Nathaniel Collins of 695 Howard Avenue, Brooklyn. He was attended by Ambulance Surgeon Schlimmerotti for bruises and contusions of the hip and was taken to his home in an automobile.

The Rev. C. C. Clifford to Speak.

Miss Agnes Reppliar will introduce the Rev. C. C. Clifford at the residence of Clarence H. Mackay, 3 East Seventy-fifth Street, Monday, Jan. 7, when Father Clifford speaks on "The Vital Issues."

OLD POLICE STATION IS DOOMED AS UNFIT

Oak Street Building, Erected 50 Years Ago, Must Be Torn Down or Renovated.

$150,000 FOR NEW HOME

Department May Decide to Spend $35,000 on Repairs—Once a Bowery Lodging Place.

The old Oak Street Police Station, between Pearl and Roosevelt Streets, years ago a show place of the department, is to be abandoned either permanently or until renovations can be made throughout, because of reports from the Health Department that it is unsanitary. It was learned at Police Headquarters last night that the Health Department had sent inspectors to the station house more than a dozen times recently, and it is understood that they reported it was not fit for further occupancy.

Following the report of the Health Department, police officials asked estimates on building a new station and on complete renovation of the present one. They learned that while it would cost about $150,000 to build a new station adequate to their needs, the old station could be put in good condition for about $35,000, and it is believed they have decided not to build.

The work of renovation would take about six months. If that plan is carried out, the Clinton Street Station would extend its southern boundary to Canal Street and the Old Slip Station would extend its northern boundary to the same street. The Beach Street Station, territory which now extends as far east as Broadway, would continue to Centre Street.

The Oak Street Station, a four-story brick structure, was built about fifty years ago. Before the police needs became so great its upper floors often were used as a Bowery lodging house. In return for the privilege of spending the night there, the police "guests" would scrub the floors and leave the station spotless. In recent years the station has taken over the work of three smaller precincts, the Elizabeth Street, the Mulberry Street and the Madison Street stations.

NEW FIRE-ALARM STATION.

City Built It fo. $154,000, Half Cost of Private Construction.

The new telegraph fire alarm central station, just completed in Bronx Park on East 180th Street near Boston Post Road, and designed to meet the requirements of the Bronx for the next century, will be formally thrown open to the public for inspection on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Acting Mayor Murray Hulbert and other city officials. Each day thereafter the station will be open to the public from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. and until noon on Saturday.

The plant was built by the Bureau of Fire Alarm Telegraph of the Fire Department at a cost of $154,000, which is just half what the city estimates it would have cost to build the same station and equip it by letting the contracts to outside concerns.

Instead of nineteen alarm box circuits now connected to the old fire alarm central station in the Bronx, the new station has capacity for 100 such circuits. This will relieve the overloading of existing circuits and reduce the possibility of interference on any one circuit when more than one street alarm box is pulled simultaneously.

BLACKBALLED AT 79.

But Henry Cohen Will Have a Hearing Before Aged Club Members

"The Jolly Young Men's Club," which is at the Home of the Daughters of Jacob in the Bronx, and is restricted to members 60 years old or more, yesterday blackballed for the second time probably the most popular man in the home—Henry Cohen, 79.

Henry based his claim for admission as an "exceptional member" upon the fact that, every day and Sabbath, Summer and Winter, he is the song-man, the dance man, the funny man, in fact, the life of the party for the 500 inmates.

Henry said his talent came from professional years on the stage in variety with the late P. T. Barnum. His second exclusion was believed due to a protest that, once bars were lowered, everybody would get in, and that after all Henry was still "only a boy," a protest said to have come from Yankel Lieb Pancer, 84, and Moses Feldman, 107, both members of this club.

Late last night club officials finally took action upon Henry's appeal for further consideration, and announced he would be given a hearing this week before President Yoachim Kurantman, 91; Vice President Abraham Posner, 94, and Hyman Rothstein, who is Secretary and as even 100.

DR. DAVID P. BARR HONORED

Appointed Busch Professor of Medicine at Washington University.

It was announced by the Executive Committee of Bellevue Hospital yesterday that Dr. David P. Barr, formerly an interne at Bellevue Hospital, who has been an assistant visiting physician several years and who also holds the position of Assistant Professor of Medicine in the Cornell University Medical College, has just been appointed Busch Professor of Medicine at Washington University, St. Louis.

Dr. Barr was born at Ithaca, graduated with the A. B. degree from Cornell University in 1911 and from the Medical College in New York City with the degree of M. D. in 1914. After serving his internship in Bellevue Hospital he was appointed Research Fellow of the Russell Sage Institute of Pathology, a position which he has held up to the present time. During the war he served as medical officer in the American Expeditionary Force, taking charge of several hospitals for war gas patients in the Argonne.

CORAL REEF EXHIBITION.

Twenty-Five-Foot Section to Be Shown at Museum.

The American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West and Seventy-seventh Street, is arranging a new exhibition, showing a twenty-five foot section of coral reef as it appears under its natural living conditions in the coral lagoons of Andros Island in the Bahamas.

Dr. Roy Waldo Miner, Curator of the Department of Lower Invertebrates of the museum, has just returned from a trip to the Bahamas in connection with the exhibit. Arrangements have been made through Sir Harry Cordeaux, Governor of the Islands, to conduct the work of obtaining the reef.

Brennan Heads Conservation Body.

ONEONTA, N. Y., Dec. 30.—T. C. Brennan, of Buffalo, was elected President, Raymond F. Kenyon, Amenia Association, which closed its seventeenth annual convention here last night. The convention next year will be held at Constantia, Oswego county. Other officers elected were: Vice President, Raymond F. Kenyon, Amenia Forks; Secretary, Taimas Van Arsdale, Hamburg; Corresponding Secretary, Albert W. Tarrie, Syracuse; Field Secretary, H. Hurst, Lockport; Statistician, Samuel L. Stebbin, Canajoha.

ARTHUR H. GLEASON DIES IN WASHINGTON

Author and Newspaper Writer Was Decorated for His Services in War.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Arthur Huntington Gleason, a newspaper man and author, died today in the Emergency Hospital in this city. He had come to the capital to obtain material from John Brophy of the United Mine Workers of America for an article on the coal and child labor situations, and was taken ill early last week.

Mr. Gleason is survived by his wife, who was formerly Miss Helen Hayes of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and by his mother. Their home was formerly in South Norwalk, Conn., but recently they have belonged to the literary colony in San Diego, Cal.

Mr. Gleason was 45 years old. He began his newspaper career as a reporter for The New York Tribune and later became managing editor of the Scripps Metropolitan, and then assistant editor of the Country Life in America. In 1907 he began writing for the Survey and a year later he became identified with Collier's Weekly, serving there until 1913, and afterward with Harper's Weekly.

Several months after the outbreak of the war he became an ambulance driver in the Hector Munro Ambulance Corps with the Belgian Army, and was captured by the Germans. Frank H. Simonds said tonight that Gleason was "the only American I knew who saw German atrocities committed." He escaped and joined the British ambulance corps at Ypres.

He was decorated by the British and Belgian Governments for his services in the war.

His wife, who also served in ambulance work in the trenches, was decorated by the King of the Belgians. Mr. Gleason wrote several good books on the war and gave Frank H. Simonds his first story of the Belgian atrocities.

JOHN FOWLER DIES, BOXER UPRISING HERO

Ex-Consul at Chefoo, Who Rescued Several Hundred Foreigners, Won High Honors.

John Fowler, member of the United States diplomatic forces in the Orient for many years, died Saturday evening in the Winchester Hospital, Winchester, Mass. Mr. Fowler had been removed to the hospital several days previously as the result of a fall which he suffered while staying at the home of his son, Marcus C. Fowler, at 8 Chestnut Street, Winchester. Mr. Fowler was 65 years of age and for the last few years has been almost blind. His hearing failed him during his service in China as the result of severe strain during the trial of Americans charged with murdering Chinese girl in Shantung.

Mr. Fowler had been in the Government service for thirty-six years, having entered at the Naval Rendesvous, Washington, in 1879, and occupied many positions until his retirement in 1915. He was a close friend of Henry Cabot Lodge in his youth and at various times acted as clerk to the Secretary of the Navy and to Grover Cleveland during his first term as President. He was appointed United States Consul at Ningpo, China, in 1890, where he remained until 1894, when he took up the position of Consul in Chefoo, which he held until 1912.

During his service as Consul at Chefoo Mr. Fowler at his own expense chartered and operated two steamers and rescued from the interior of the Province of Shantung several hundred foreigners whose lives had been imperiled by the Boxer uprising. President McKinley included praise of Mr. Fowler for this act in his message to Congress in 1900, while the foreign community of Chefoo presented him with a silver punch bowl for the assistance rendered to them. He was decorated by the Emperors of both China and Japan and received gold thanks of the Russian, Japanese, Chinese, English and Canadian Governments for the aid which he had given to the citizens of those countries during the years of his Consulship in Chefoo.

BLIZZARD GRIPS NORTHWEST

Heavy Loss of Livestock Feared on Ranges in Iowa.

Special to The New York Times.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 30.—Northwest Iowa, Northern Nebraska, South Dakota and Southwest Minnesota have been in the grip of a blizzard since 2 o'clock this morning and it shows no signs of abatement tonight. Five to six inches of light snow have fallen and have been drifted into the Great Lakes by a stiff north-to-northeast wind, while temperatures have hovered around or slightly below the zero mark.

Railroad traffic has been somewhat delayed, but not brought to a standstill, and shipments of live stock to Eastern markets have been deferred. Street car traffic in Sioux City has been demoralized. A heavy loss of live stock on the ranges west and northwest of here is looked for as many thousand head, because of the mild weather up to this time, are on ranges where no protection can be had.

Unveil Tablet to August Eickelberg.

A tablet in memory of August Eickelberg was unveiled yesterday after the morning service in the Central Presbyterian Church, Madison Avenue and Fifty-seventh Street. Mr. Eickelberg, who died April 30, last, was sexton of this church for fifty-six years, and was custodian of the work of the Grand Lodge of Masons of New York.

The tablet is of bronze and it has been placed in the vestibule where Mr. Eickelberg was to be found before and after every service to welcome everyone who entered the church.

The service was presided over by the Rev. Dr. Dwight Witherspoon Wylie, pastor of the church. An address was delivered by Moses Altman, Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh District of the lodge. The tablet was unveiled by Elliott Eickelberg, 7 years old, who is a grandson of Mr. Eickelberg.

Theodore Witzel.

Theodore Witzel, proprietor with his brother, Emil, of Witzel's Hotel at College Point, Queens, and Pointview, the neighboring recreation ground where the annual outing of Tammany Hall was held for years, died yesterday at his residence, 45-05 Second Avenue, College Point. He was 55 years old.

Dunnelle Van Schaick.

Dunnelle Van Schaick of 230 West Ninety-fifth Street, who died Saturday at his residence of pneumonia at the age of 78, was a member of an old Knickerbocker family, his ancestors having settled at Albany in 1667.

Obituary Notes.

GEORGE C. HENDRICKSON, for forty years a town justice in Huntington, L. I., died there early yesterday morning at an advanced age. He had been President of the local Board of Education for several years, and was Vice President of the First National Bank. He was graduated from Columbia Law School in 1878.

Mrs. MARTHA SUTER GILBERT, who died Saturday in her 84th year at her residence, 302 Central Park West, was the wife of Joseph H. Gilbert, realty operator and banker, and the daughter of Reverend Daniel Suter, founder of the Methodist Episcopal Church. She was a member of the Women's National Republican Club and the Council of Jewish Women.

HERMAN FRANK, real estate operator and chairman of the Talmud Torah Committee of Congregation Ohab Zedek died Saturday morning at his home in his seventy-eighth year. He was born in Frankfort-on-Main Aug. 10, 1875.

Judge WALTER EVANS, 81, Judge of the United States District Court of the Western District of Kentucky and former Congressman, died yesterday at his home in Louisville.

ZACHARIAH HICKMAN, 86, one of the oldest practising physicians in Southern Illinois, died at his home in Benton yesterday.

GEN. BUAT RECEIVES HONOR AS HE DIES

President Millerand Pins Grand Cross of Legion of Honor on His Chest.

EXPIRES AFTER OPERATION

Chief of French Army General Staff Said Germany Was Defeated When America Declared War.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—General E. A. L. Buat, Chief of the General Staff of the French Army, died today. He underwent an operation for an intestinal disorder on Thursday.

General Buat was to have been included in the New Year's honor list and given the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor. Today President Millerand and Marshal Petain went to the hospital before he died and pinned on his breast the insignia awarded him.

The funeral of General Buat will be held on Wednesday. Simplicity will prevail. There will be no orations and no flowers will be placed on the coffin. After the church ceremony, however, military honors will be rendered by a division of troops under General Guiraud, Military Governor of Paris.

General Buat was Chief of the French Military Advisers at the Washington Armament Conference.

General Buat was outspoken in his praise of America's part in the World War. "It was not in 1918, when the armistice was signed, that Germany was defeated," he once remarked in an interview, "but in April, 1917, when America declared war." Discussing the merits of the German strategy of the Spring of 1918 he gave the opinion that Hindenburg had reason to hope that he might break through the French and English wall in front of him, and that the plan would have been wise had there been merely decreasing reserves for him to face on the other side of the wall breach. But thanks to the Americans he had to face reserves, numerous, ardent, admirably equipped, and continually increasing.

How highly General Buat's knowledge of military affairs was regarded is shown by his inclusion in the French Supreme War Council in 1920, his three associates being Marshal Foch, Weygand, and Petain. Some surprise was expressed the following year, however, when Briand made him the military member of the delegation to the Washington Arms Conference, by those who recalled his views at the outbreak of the war in predicting that the German invasion would come through the Vosges.

Bryan L. Kennelly's Funeral Today

The funeral of Bryan L. Kennelly, real estate operator, who was stricken at his desk in his office in the Harriman National Bank Building last Friday, will be held this morning with services in St. Patrick's Cathedral at 10 o'clock. A requiem mass will be celebrated by Monsignor J. Lavelle. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery.

The honorary pallbearers will be: Justices Vernon M. Davis and Victor J. Dowling, former Justices Samuel Seabury and Edward E. McCall, and Joseph Harriman, Dr. William H. Sheppard, Leo B. Rolston, Howard L. Sills, William Parsilow, George Provot, Benjamin Coleman and James L. Wells.

The following organizations will be represented: Catholic Club, Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Real Estate Board of Brokers, Real Estate Auctioneers' Association, The Bankers' Club and the Knights of Columbus.

F. Vinton, Inventor, Found Dead.

Frederick Vinton, inventor, of 811 St. Nicholas Avenue, was found dead in his bed at that address last night following an attack of acute indigestion. He was 65 years old. Among his inventions were the Peerless Emergency Fire Hood, to protect firemen from smoke and gas, and a signal lantern for railroad use. He had been connected with the D. and N. Corporation of 236 Broadway.

Died.

ALEXANDER—Ida Ernestine (nee Lauter), Saturday evening at the home of her daughter Mrs. Frank Lehrecht, 1,237 Joseph Av., Bronx. No flowers.

BATES—On Dec. 29, 1923, John E. Bates. Funeral services at his late residence, 24 Summit Av., Mount Vernon, N. Y., on Monday Dec. 31, at 2 o'clock. Cars will meet N. Y. C. trains leaving Grand Central Station at 11:06.

BELITZER—Columbia No. 13, U. O. T. S. Sad announcement is made of the death of our sister, Jennie Belitzer, on Dec. 28, at Berlin, Germany.

MINNIE B. KOLES, President.

BLANCHARD—The Mary Washington Colonial Chapter, D. A. R., announces with deep regret the death of Mrs. James A. Blanchard, member of the society.

Miss ANNE HARRIS FATTESON, Regent.

Recording Secretary.

BLOCH—Gauthier, on Sunday, Dec. 30, beloved father of Joseph Bloch. Funeral will take place from the chapel, 514 Dekalb St., Brooklyn, on Tuesday, Jan. 1, at 10 A. M. Relatives and friends invited.

BROWN—On Sunday, Dec. 30, 1923, Emma Frances Sutton, beloved wife of the Rte Stephen Brown, aged 76 years. Services at the late residence, 205 Prospect Pl., Brooklyn, Wednesday, Jan. 2, at 8 P. M. Convenient rapid transit train leaving New York at 12:53 P. M.

BROWN—Hannah Davenport, widow of Atherton Thayer Brown, on Saturday, Dec. 29, in her 86th year. Funeral services private, Monday, Dec. 31, at 2:30 P. M., at 344 Marlborough St., Boston.

BURNHAM—Ann Jane, wife of the late Frederick A. Burnham, at her residence, 223 East 19th St. Funeral services at her late home on Tuesday, Jan. 1, at 8 P. M. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Wednesday, Jan. 2.

COFFIN—William L., Jr., on Dec. 30, 1923, beloved son of William O. Coffin. Funeral from his late residence, 666 Academy St., on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924, 9:30 A. M. Requiem mass 10 A. M. at the Church of Good Shepherd, Broadway and 160th St. Interment Holy Name Cemetery, New Jersey.

COLVIN—Caroline H. Day, wife of the late Colonel James A. Colvin. Service at Woodlawn Cemetery Chapel, Jerome Av. entrance, Monday, Dec. 31, at 3 o'clock.

CONSTOCK—George W. Ex., husband of Josephine L. Constock, on Dec. 29. Services Campbell Funeral Church, Broadway and 66th Street, on Monday, Dec. 31, at 8 P. M. Interment at New London, Conn., on Tuesday, Jan. 1.

CONSTABLE—At Utica, Dec. 29, Amata Constable, daughter of the late William Constable, of New York, and widow of Cornelius Constable of Constable Hall, Lewis County, in her 85th year. Funeral Monday.

COONCE—Maude Annunzata, on Dec. 30, at the home of her son, William Penn Coonce, 2180 Hillside Av., Mount Vernon, N. Y., mother of Victor E. and Harold Wade, Texas; Mrs. Felix Grizzi, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. O. A. Woolford, Atlanta, Ga. Funeral service at the home, 8:00 o'clock, Monday, Dec. 31. Interment private, at St. Louis, Mo., and Dallas, Texas, papers please copy.

DAHLGREN—On Dec. 29, Hilda A., beloved sister of Alexander Dahlgren and Mrs. Emma Jensen. Funeral services on Monday evening at 8 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, 76th St. and Broadway. Jamestown (N. Y.) papers please copy.

DAVIS—Monday, Dec. 24, 1923, at St. Paul's rectory, Cushing, Me., the Rev. Joseph Roy C. Davis. Funeral from his late parish Church, Cushing, Jan. 2, 1924, at 11:30 A. M. Interment Rockland Hill Cemetery. Canadian papers please copy, 30 t.

DOE—At Montclair, N. J., on Friday, Dec. 28, 1923, Thomas A., husband of Anna Hess Doe, in his 72d year. Funeral services will be held at his late home, 207 Hillside Av., Montclair, on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 1, at 2:30 o'clock.

FAILEY—On Dec. 29, 1923, Christopher Failey, aged 72 years, beloved husband of Helen Failey. Funeral services at his late residence, 2,020 Drake Av., New York City, on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924, at 2 P. M.

FREDDO—Sarah R., widow of John Freddo of Cromwell, N. J., passed away on Friday, Dec. 28, 1923. Funeral services at the late residence, 1,000 Broadway, Bayonne, on Monday, Dec. 31, at 2:30 P. M. Interment Brookfield Cemetery, Englewood.

FLETCHER—Suddenly, on Saturday, Dec. 29, 1923, Ida Sharp Fletcher, beloved wife of Frederick Fletcher. Funeral services at her late residence, 218 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, on Monday, Dec. 31, at 2 P. M. Relatives and friends invited.

Died.

FRANK—Herman, on Saturday, Dec. 29, 1923, in his 49th year, at his residence, 305 West 98th St., dearly beloved husband of Dora Lavison Frank and devoted father of Leonora Fuld and Jerome H. Frank. Funeral from Meyerowitz Funeral Parlors, 230 Lenox Av., Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1924, at 10:30 A. M. Omit flowers.

FRANK—Members Ozone Social Entertainment are requested to attend the funeral of Herman, husband of Sister Dora Frank, on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1924, at 10:30 A. M., from Meyerowitz Funeral Parlors, 230 Lenox Av.

MORITZ NEUMAN, President.

Mrs. LOUIS LAUFER, Secretary.

FRANK—Officers and members of the 7th Av. Temple Sisterhood are requested to attend the funeral of Herman, husband of Mrs. Dora Frank, on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1924, at 10:30 A. M. from Meyerowitz Funeral Parlor, 230 Lenox Av.

Mrs. JOSEPH COHN, President.

Mrs. M. J. GORDON, Secretary.

FRANK—Herman, on Saturday, Dec. 29, 1923, at his residence, 305 West 98th St. Members of the congregation announce with profound sorrow the death of his late beloved brother. Members of the congregation and the Board of Directors of the Ohab Zedek of the Talmud Torah, of which the deceased was chairman, are requested to attend the funeral on Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1924, at 10 A. M., from Meyerowitz Funeral Parlors, 230 Lenox Av.

MORITZ NEWMAN, President.

D. BERLINER, Secretary.

GATTINAU—Entered into rest in her 67th year, our beloved mother and grandmother, Margaret Louise Gattinau, widow of Louis Leonard Gattinau. Funeral services at her late residence, 2,000 West 106th St., Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924, at 8 P. M. Interment in Lutheran Cemetery, Thursday at 2 P. M.

GILBERT—Martha H., beloved wife of Joseph L. and mother of Victor E. and Helene L. Gilbert, on Dec. 29. Services Campbell Funeral Church, Broadway and 66th St., on Monday, Dec. 31, at 2 P. M.

GLEASON—On Dec. 29, Lieutenant Thomas J. Gleason, New York Police Department, formerly attached to Health Squad and old resident of East 21st St., Manhattan, beloved husband of Susan A. Gleason (nee Holland). Funeral from late residence, 322 Hancock Parkway North, corner of Hull Av., Bronx, on Wednesday at 9:30 A. M.; thence to the Church of St. Brendan, 207th St. and Perry Av. Interment Calvary. Auto cortege.

GOERL—Frederick, In his 86th year. Funeral from his late residence, 710 East 176th St., on Thursday Jan. 3, at 9 A. M., to the Church of St. Thomas Aquinas, Daly Av., and 178th St. Requiem high mass at 10 A. M. Interment St. John's Cemetery, Long Island.

GORDON—At St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 28, 1923, Virginia, only daughter of Charles Wilkins and Charlotte Hebden Gordon.

GRATACAP—Thomas B., son of the late John L. and Lucinda H. Gratacap and brother of the late Louis Pope Gratacap, on Dec. 30, 1923, at his home, West New Brighton, S. I. Funeral Thursday at Trinity Church, Broadway and Wall St., New York City, on Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1924, at 3 P. M.

HAMILTON—Charles Henry, in his 74th year, beloved husband of Louise, father of Tyler H. Funeral will take place Thursday, Jan. 3, 1924, 4 P. M., at his late residence, River Edge Manor, River Edge, N. J. Brothers of Pioneer Lodge No. 70, F. and A. M., invited.

HARNEY—Sarah Angelina, on Sunday, Dec. 30, beloved sister of William J. Duffey and Mrs. Lillian Korten, formerly of Fordham. Funeral from W. J. Boyd's Chapel, 2,516 Marion Av., on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at 9:30 A. M., thence to the Church of Our Lady of Mercy, Marion Av. and Fordham Road. California papers please copy.

HENDERSON—Thomas M., of 1,279 Union St., Brooklyn, on Dec. 29, at Portland, Ore. Notice of funeral later.

JACKSON—On Saturday, Dec. 29, 1923, at his residence, 2,835 Farragut Road, Brooklyn, Thomas Jackson, beloved husband of Maude Jackson, in the 72d year. He was a resident of Flatbush for fifty years. Survived by wife, son and three daughters. Funeral services Monday evening, Dec. 31, at 7:45. Interment Tuesday at 2 P. M. in Evergreen Cemetery. Los Angeles papers please copy.

KAKELIS—On Sunday, Dec. 30, after a short illness, Dr. Moses S. Kakelis, beloved husband of Sara Weil Kakelis. Funeral private. No flowers requested, but no flowers to be sent. Friends wishing to honor the memory of the deceased may do so by sending a contribution to the Pleasantville Home, which Dr. Kakelis was deeply interested.

KENNELLY—Bryan L. Funeral service will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 10 o'clock this morning. Interment Calvary Cemetery.

KENNELLY—Bryan L. The trustees of St. Patrick's Cathedral have heard with deep regret and real sorrow of the death of their friend and associate for many years, Mr. Bryan L. Kennelly. He served as a trustee with remarkable fidelity and distinguished ability. He headed some of our most important committees and was for some years our Treasurer. Members of the Executive Committee of the Cathedral group in the drive for the Knights of Columbus Fund during the war, and in the campaign for the Catholic Charities. Much of the great success attained in these enterprises was due to his untiring zeal and energy. His pure and beautiful character will be sadly missed by a patriotic American, an affectionate husband and father, a loyal friend, a noble man.

PATRICK J. HAYES,
Archbishop of New York, President.

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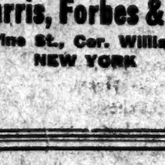

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FINANCIAL MARKETS

The End of the Year, and Expectations Which It Brings to Wall Street.

In Wall Street this is the day which is habitually given up to prophecy. Sometimes it might be said to be a day of making good resolutions, as is apt to be done by people outside of Wall Street; but the financial markets plan such a change in conduct at a year-end only when the old year has been disappointing and they dislike the memory of it. There were several occasions in 1923 when it seemed as if the year might leave exactly such unpleasant recollections behind it; but it has turned out otherwise. Leaving out of consideration Europe and its troubles, the financial community is now looking back at the past year with much complacency.

Satisfaction with the position at the year-end does not imply confidence in what will happen during 1924. That is what we are supposed to get from the year-end prophecies, which on this occasion are numerous enough and different enough to suit the most varied tastes. A few months ago there was as much gloomy prediction as cheerful prediction. Partly, perhaps, because of the subsequent recovery on the Stock Exchange, the balance of forecast is now strongly on the side of hopefulness. Last week's occasional prophecies of falling staple prices, of American markets dragged down by Europe, of business upset by the Presidential campaign, were on the whole exceptional. We are permitted to look for good times.

There has been, however, a rather noteworthy absence of definite forecast of what will happen in 1924, and that is a natural result of a very curious situation. No kind of agreement exists, for instance, as to what will be next year's financial, economic, or political history in Europe. The recent movement of the foreign exchanges has favored a highly discouraging view. But even Wall Street is divided between expectation of an inevitable compromise on reparations and expectation of a still more inevitable deadlock; between belief that European unsettlement would react on our own financial position and belief that we are really aloof from Europe and helped by its troubles—at least to the extent that foreign uncertainties drive foreign capital into our markets.

One of the questions for 1924 to settle will be the question whether the rather remarkable foreign-trade movement of last Spring, when the four months' surplus of imports over exports broke all records in our trade history, was an isolated and abnormal phenomenon, or really foreshadowed permanent tendencies. That is not a question of prices or tariffs; it is quite impossible to discuss it without considering the very extraordinary position created by the enormous payments which Europe has to make to America on her war debt, and the possibility of her making them in goods.

The coming year will have to deal with the problem of our gold holdings, which are already so large as to be a source of embarrassment to the reserve banks; which are closely connected with the European situation, and which are increasing at the rate of nearly 10 per cent. annually. None of the predictions for 1923 went so far astray as the prophecy that "redistribution" of our superfluous gold to other countries would be one of the year's outstanding events. The probability of a gold export movement seems further away on Dec. 31, 1923, with the increased depreciation of the European currencies and exchanges, than it could have seemed on Dec. 31, 1922.

From one viewpoint the continued steady flow of gold to the United States, from the outside world in general and from Europe in particular, has been in line with the logic of an economic situation. Not only is it a long-recognized economic tradition that gold will be expelled from countries with depreciated currencies into countries where the gold standard is maintained, but the case of 1923 has been that of financial confidence unsettled in European markets and absolutely assured in the American market—a situation which even in prewar days would have expressed itself in transfer of capital and shipment of gold to New York.

Nevertheless, past economic experience has also always recognized that there is such a thing as the "saturation point" in absorption of new gold into one country's circulation and reserves, and that point seemed to have been reached in the United States long ago. Return flow of part of our huge gold accumulation was confidently predicted by the Department of Commerce a year ago; the prediction being based in part on the probable swing of the international trade balance heavily against our country. That did not happen in 1923; even the "merchandise import surplus" of the Spring was counterbalanced by a decrease of hundreds of millions from 1922 in our purchase of foreign securities.

It is difficult to foresee the movement of 1924. What would happen if, in consequence of the new inquiry into German finances or of other influences, the reparations problem were to be settled, is a question by itself. The first result of such a settlement would almost certainly be an international loan to Germany, in which our markets would participate. Offers of new securities by other European Governments would as surely follow.

If the condition of our markets and the attitude of our investors favored it, American subscription to foreign loans would again be very large. Just what the effect would be on exchange rates, on the home investment markets, and on the gold movement must be left to financial imagination.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

WEEK ENDED DEC. 29, 1923.

	Last Week.	Year to Date.
Total sales	5,198,270	236,685,211
Same period a year ago	4,714,850	260,753,997

	Last Week. High.	Low.	Year to Date. High.	Low.
Average price 50 stocks	84.14	82.66	92.52	77.15
Same period a year ago	86.85	84.90	93.06	66.21

1923 High.	Low.	Sales.	Stock and Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.
62	57	300	ADAMS EXP (6)	74½	74	74½	— ½
9⅝	6¾	2,300	Advance Rumely	10⅝	8¼	10⅜	+ 2⅞
94⅝	87	2,700	Do pf (3)	94⅝	91	93¾	+ 3⅜
72⅝	66	1,200	Air Reduction (4)	67½	66½	67½	+ ½
14⅝	4⅛	11,710	Ajax Rubber	6¼	5⅜	6¼	+ ⅞
⅛	⅛	4,000	Alaska Gold Mines	⅛	⅛	⅛	
1⅝	¾	4,600	Alaska Juneau	1⅛	¾	1	+ ⅛
80	58½	18,300	Allied Chem & Dye (4)	70⅝	66⅝	70¼	+ 1⅝
113	105¾	1,600	Do pf (7)	111½	110¼	111½	+ ¼
51¼	37⅝	6,200	Allis-Chal Mfg (4)	46⅝	44½	45⅝	+ 1½
36⅞	10⅛	18,500	Am Agricul Chem	19⅞	12⅜	13⅝	+ 1⅝
62⅝	28⅜	6,900	Do pf	45	39⅜	44⅝	+ 4⅜
55¾	50½	300	Am Bank Note pf (3)	53½	53	53½	+ 1⅜
49½	25	3,000	Am Beet Sugar	42½	41	41	— ⅝
80	65	100	Do pf (6)	76	76	76	+ 2½
65	22⅞	2,200	Am Bosch Magneto	32¾	30⅜	30	
83¼	66⅛	1,400	Am B Sug & Refy (5)	77¼	74	77¼	+ 3
110	102⅜	200	Do pf (7)	107½	105	107½	+ 3⅜
107⅜	73⅛	49,900	Am Can (6)	105½	103	104⅝	+ 1¼
168	148¾	1,900	Am Car & Fdry (12)	165¾	161	161½	+ 1
125⅞	117	100	Do pf (7)	120	120	120	
25⅜	20⅝	800	Am Chain Class A (3)	23	22	23	+ ⅛
17¾	5⅜	2,700	Am Chicle	17¾	15⅜	17½	+ 1⅝
10⅜	8⅝	6,900	Am Cotton Oil pf stfs	10⅜	9¼	10¼	+ 1⅛
81⅜	26⅞	8,200	Do pf stfs	81¾	27½	81¾	
7⅝	4⅝	2,300	Am Drug Syndicate	6	5¾	5¾	— ⅛
143½	87	1,900	Am Express (6)	91	88½	91	+ 2
13⅝	6¼	2,800	Am Hide & Leather	9⅜	6¾	9	+ 1
74¾	29⅛	15,500	Do pf	53	48¾	51	+ 1½
111½	78	2,500	Am Ice (7)	86	84½	85¾	+ 1½
85	77⅜	500	Do pf (6)	79¼	78	78½	— ⅛
33½	16	19,900	Am International	23⅞	21⅜	23½	+ 1½
13	10⅜	700	Am La F Fire Eng (1)	10⅜	10⅜	10⅜	— ⅛
97	96	2,300	do stfs 25% paid w i	96⅜	96	96¼	— ¾
20	13	3,400	Am Linseed	15⅞	17	17	— 1
59	28½	2,800	Do pf	34½	33	34⅛	+ 1½
78¼	54⅜	44,500	Am Locomotive (6)	76¾	72⅞	75	+ 2⅛
132	114½	200	Do pf (7)	115¾	115¼	115¼	+ ¼
55⅜	40⅝	5,400	Am Metal (3)	45¾	41¾	42⅞	+ 1⅜
97	76	2,100	Am Radiator (4)	97	94	95¼	— ½
9½	4⅞	4,800	Am Safety Razor (500)	6⅜	6¼	6⅜	— ⅛
21⅝	10⅝	8,300	Am Ship & Commerce	11¼	10¾	10¾	— ⅜
69½	51¼	10,900	Am Smelt & Refin (6)	56¾	57⅞	58¾	+ 1⅛
102⅝	98	800	Do pf (7)	96⅜	95¾	95¾	— ⅛
152¾	130	300	Am Snuff (314)	137	136	136	— ¼
40⅞	33⅜	5,050	Am Steel Fdries (8)	38¼	37½	38	+ 1
105¾	97⅞	100	Do pf (7)	103½	103¼	103¼	+ ⅛
55	49	12,400	Am Sugar Refin	57	54¾	55½	+ ⅛
108⅜	92	900	Do pf (7)	96½	92	96¼	+ 3¼
39⅝	19	3,200	Am Sumatra Tobacco	20⅞	18⅜	20¼	+ ⅜
63¾	32½	600	Do pf	50	45¾	50	
58½	40	200	Am Tel & Cable (5)	40	40	40¼	— ¼
128⅝	119½	1,500	Am Tel & Tel (9)	128	124½	125	
161⅜	140¼	1,200	Am Tobacco (12)	150⅜	149¼	148¼	+ ⅛
150⅜	140	3,500	Do Class B (12)	149½	147	147⅜	+ ⅛
136⅜	100¼	1,000	Do pf (6)	101¾	100¾	101⅜	+ 1⅛
44⅜	37⅛	1,900	Am W W & Electric	41¼	38½	41	+ ½
93	83½	600	Do 1st pf (7)	90	88½	90	+ 1
67⅛	48½	3,700	Do participat pf (4)	67½	62¾	66	+ 4
106⅞	93	22,100	Am Woolen (7)	74⅝	72⅜	73	+ 1¼
111⅝	90½	600	Do pf (7)	99	99	99	
34	1⅞	6,700	Am Writ Paper pf	1⅞	1⅜	1⅝	+ ⅛
1⅛	1	3,000	Do cfs dep	1⅛	1	1⅛	
19⅛	6½	2,000	Am Zinc L & S	8⅛	6⅝	8¼	+ 1⅛
28¾	24⅝	1,000	Do pf	25	24½	25	+ ⅜
56⅞	38⅝	30,400	Anaconda Copper (3)	39⅜	38¼	38⅝	
45	21	200	Ann Arbor pf	32	31½	32	+ ½
94½	88¾	1,800	Armour & Co pf, Del (7)	92¼	92	92¾	
18⅞	10½	10,600	Arnold, Constable & Co	13⅛	12½	13	+ ⅛
		500	Assets Realization	⅛		⅛	
80	62¾	7,100	Assoc Dry Goods (5)	64⅝	77¾	78¼	— 5⅝
89	82	300	Do 1st pf (6)	86	85	85	
29½	24⅞	12,300	Associated Oil (1½)	29⅛	28	28⅝	+ ⅜
105¼	94	3,300	Atch, Top & S F (6)	96⅞	96	96⅞	+ ⅛
90¾	85⅝	2,300	Do pf (5)	89½	85⅝	85⅝	+ ⅛
3¼	1⅝	1,800	Atlanta, Birm & At	1⅞	1⅝	1⅝	
127	100½	2,900	Atlantic Coast Line (7)	113½	111	113¼	+ 2½
1⅝	½	2,500	Atlantic Fruit	1½	1	1⅛	— ⅛
⅞	¼	1,600	Do certificates	1	1	1	
94	84	3,800	Atlantic, Gulf & W I	15⅞	16¼	17⅛	+ ⅞
27	6¾	2,100	Do pf	15	13⅛	13⅝	+ 1½
160	98¾	2,700	Atlantic Refining (4)	131½	125	131¼	+ 4½
120	115	100	Do pf (7)	117	117	117	
57⅜	51	600	Atlas Powder (4)	54	53⅜	54	
20¼	7⅜	2,600	Atlas Tack	9	7⅜	7⅜	— 1⅛
35½	17	11,300	Austin-Nichols	30¼	28	28½	
89½	78¾	300	Do pf (7)	86	84	84⅝	+ ⅝
23¾	6¾	10,300	Auto Knitter Hos (3)	8¾	6⅝	7	— ⅝
4	2	400	Auto Sales	2⅞	2½	2½	
14½	11	100	Do pf	11⅝	11⅝	11⅝	+ ⅛
144⅛	110⅛	68,400	BALDWIN LOCO (7)	126⅝	123⅞	124⅜	+ ⅜
116⅜	110	100	Do pf (7)	112	112	112	+ 1
60⅜	46¼	14,600	Baltimore & Ohio (5)	55⅞	53	53⅞	+ ⅝
60⅞	55⅜	1,900	Do pf (4)	57	55¾	55¾	+ ½
94¼	84	100	Bangor & Aroost pf (7)	94½	84½	84½	
58	20½	1,800	Barnet Leather	23¼	22½	23¼	+ ⅝
35	9⅞	6,100	Barnsdall, Class A	16⅛	15	15¼	— ⅜
22	8	2,900	Do Class B	10⅜	10⅜	10¼	+ ⅛
307	207	6	Bank of Com (210)	226	238	238	— 9
⅝	⅜	1,500	Batopilas Mining	⅜	⅜	⅜	
62⅝	50	300	Bayuk Cigars	55	55	55	+ 1
100	93	100	Do 1st pf (7)	98⅜	98½	98¾	
54⅜	44⅜	21,250	Beech Nut Pack (2.40)	53	52⅝	53⅛	+ ⅛
71⅞	41⅝	35,600	Bethlehem Steel (5)	54⅛	51⅝	53⅝	+ 2⅜
97⅞	87	1,500	Do pf (7)	91	90½	90½	— ¼
111¼	100¾	100	Do pf (8)	105	105	105	— ¼
7⅜	5¾	5,200	Booth Fisheries	6⅛	5¾	5⅝	— ⅛
4⅜	3	200	British Empire Steel	3⅞	3⅝	3⅝	— ⅛
26⅞	12½	800	Do 2d pf	13⅝	13½	13⅝	+ ⅛
121½	104½	1,700	Brooklyn Ed Elec (5)	111	109½	109½	— 1½
18⅜	9¼	20,900	Brooklyn-Man Transit	14	12⅝	14	+ 1½
49⅝	31⅞	14,200	Do pf	41	39¾	41	+ 1⅜
123	103¾	900	Brooklyn Union Gas (5)	116¼	115½	116	+ 1½
99	85	200	Brown Shoe pf (7)	91	91	91	+ 1
⅝	⅜	1,000	Brune Term & Ry Sec	⅛	⅛	⅛	
65	50	90	Buffalo, Roch & P (4)	52	50	50	— 1
90	85	10	Do pf (6)	85	85	85	
144⅜	100	2,800	Burns Brothers (10)	102½	103	102½	+ ½
100¾	94	300	Do pf (7)	94½	94½	94½	+ ½
43	21½	1,900	Do Class B (2)	24½	23½	23½	— ⅜
11⅞	4¼	4,900	Butte Copper & Z (50c)	5	4½	4¾	
37⅞	12⅞	4,800	Butte & Superior	15	14½	14½	— ½
22	15¾	1,000	Butterick Company	19¼	18½	18½	— ½
2¼	1⅜	6,800	CADDO CENT O & R	2⅜	1⅝	1⅞	— ⅛
87	77	800	California Packing (6)	80⅜	80	80¼	+ ⅛
20⅜	17⅛	100,800	Cal Petroleum (1⅛)	27	24⅝	26	+ 1⅛
110¼	90½	3,100	Do pf (7)	102⅜	99	101¾	— ⅜
12⅜	9⅜	1,900	Callahan Zinc-Lead	4⅝	4¼	4¼	— ⅛
66	42	1,800	Calumet & Arizona (2)	43	42	43	+ ½
20½	17½	200	Calumet & Hecla (500)	18¼	18	18	— ⅛
160	130⅜	9,400	Canadian Pacific (10)	147	145½	147	+ ¾
52¼	50½	10	Canada Southern (3)	53½	53½	53½	
4¾	4¾	700	Cass (J I) Plow	½	½	½	
43	17	1,400	Case (J I) Th Machine	22	20½	22	+ 1¼
85	65	900	Do pf (7)	68½	66½	68	
40⅜	9⅜	15,100	Central Leather Co	13⅜	12½	12⅝	— ⅛
79⅜	28½	10,800	Do pf	38	35⅝	37	+ 2¼
231	175	400	Cent R R of N J (12)	212	205	205	— 9
56⅞	28	700	Century Ribbon Mills	29⅜	29¾	29⅜	— ⅛
66⅛	36⅛	5,300	Cerro de Pasco Cop (4)	45⅞	45	45¾	+ ⅛
45	23	100	Certain-teed Products	30	30	30	
76	43	22,500	Chandler Motor (6)	68⅜	64½	67	+ 2⅜
78⅜	57	8,000	Chesapeake & Ohio (4)	71⅜	69¼	70	+ ⅝
104⅞	96	600	Do pf (6½)	99	98½	99	+ ⅝
4⅜	2	3,100	Chicago & Alton	3¼	2¾	2¾	
13⅜	8⅜	3,700	Do pf	10⅜	9¾	10	— ⅛
38⅜	19	2,500	Chi & Eastern Illinois	26	25½	25¾	— ⅛
62¼	46½	2,900	Do pf	49½	48¾	48¾	— ⅝
7	2⅝	1,830	Chi Great Western	4½	4	4	
17	9⅝	5,600	Do pf	11	10	10	— ⅛
28⅜	11⅛	25,200	Chi, Mil & St Paul	13⅝	12	13⅜	+ ⅛
45⅛	20¾	34,700	Do pf	23½	21¾	23½	+ 1⅝
53	47⅛	49,800	Chi & Northwestern (4)	50¾	47⅞	49¾	+ 1⅝
113	97¼	1,900	Do pf (7)	99½	97¼	98¾	+ 1½
90⅜	75⅞	3,900	Chi Pneumatic Tool (5)	84⅜	81	84½	+ 1⅜
87⅞	19⅜	25,700	Chi, R I & Pacific	22½	20¾	22	+ 1⅛
95	72	1,800	Do pf (7)	76¾	73	76	+ ⅜
85	80⅞	4,600	Do pf (8)	82½	82	82	+ ⅛
78	29	5,000	Chi, St P, Minn & Om	30¾	29	30¾	+ ⅞
102⅜	71¼	100	Do pf (7)	75	75	75	+ 2½
30¾	24⅜	2,800	Chile Copper (2½)	27⅜	25⅞	27⅛	+ 1⅛
21⅞	14¾	37,200	Chile Copper	17⅜	16⅜	17¼	+ ⅝
115	75¼	500	C, C, C & St Louis (4)	114½	111	114	+ 4
75¾	60	3,600	Cluett-Peabody (5)	72⅜	68½	72⅜	+ 4
119	90⅜	200	Do pf (7)	103	103½	103	— ½
53⅜	45¼	6,700	Coca-Cola (3)	50⅜	48⅝	50	+ 1⅜
28⅜	20	15,500	Colorado Fuel & Iron	26½	23	26¼	+ 2¼
45½	17	5,600	Colorado & Southern	19⅜	18½	19¾	+ 1¼
37⅝	30¾	19,400	Colum Gas & El (2.00)	35½	33½	35	+ 1⅜
51¼	41	14,400	Columbian Carbon (4)	51½	44⅜	50⅝	+ 4⅞
46	25	200	Commercial Solv A (4)	40½	40¼	x40¼	— 1½
40	16	400	Do B	37⅞	36⅜	36⅜	— 1½
97⅞	67	22,000	Comp Tab Record (6)	97½	91¾	96	+ 5⅝
184½	44¼	10,700	Congoleum Company	45¼	44¼	44½	— ⅝
12¾	9⅛	1,400	Conley Tin Foil	11½	10¾	10¾	— ⅝
38⅜	16⅜	1,900	Cons Cigar	19½	18⅝	19⅛	+ ⅜
83	60	200	Do pf (7)	66½	66	66½	+ ½
69⅜	36⅜	47,700	Consolidated Gas (6)	61⅜	60	61¾	+ 1
9⅛	6	20,900	Consolidated Textile	6⅝	6	6⅜	— ⅛
57⅝	42⅜	46,200	Continental Can (4)	57⅜	54⅜	56¾	+ 1½
12¾	5	6,300	Continental Motors	6⅞	6¾	6¾	— ⅛
160¼	114⅜	58,300	Corn Prod Ref (10)	139½	133	135⅝	+ 2⅝
122⅜	110⅞	400	Do pf (7)	120¾	119⅜	119⅝	— ⅛
62¼	22⅜	78,300	Cosden Company	36⅜	34⅜	35⅝	+ 1⅛
109⅜	83¼	1,100	Do pf (7)	93	92	92¾	+ 2¼
28½	20	1,240	Cret Carpet	21½	20	20¾	— ⅜
84½	57⅛	24,100	Crucible Steel (4)	68⅜	63⅜	67	+ 2⅞
94½	83⅜	500	Do pf (7)	90¾	90	90	+ ¼
25⅞	8¼	12,800	Cuba Cane Sugar	16⅞	15¼	15¾	— 1⅛
65⅜	33⅛	38,300	Do pf	65⅞	62	62	— 1½
37⅜	23	17,400	Cuban Am Sugar (3)	34⅜	32	33⅜	— ⅛
102½	92	200	Do pf (7)	97½	97¼	97½	+ 1½
12⅜	3	5,500	Cuban Dominican Sugar	7⅞	7⅜	7⅝	— ⅛
53⅜	36	1,900	Do pf	46⅞	45¾	46⅝	+ ⅛
73⅜	54¼	10,000	Cuyamel Fruit (4)	72½	69	70	+ 1
81¼	30⅜	91,500	DAVISON CHEM	76	68¼	71	+ ⅝
28	18⅜	100	De Beers Mines	19	18	19	+ ⅛
71⅝	62¾	100	Deere & Co pf (3)	61	60½	60¾	— ⅛
124⅝	93⅜	1,500	Delaware & Hudson (8)	106⅜	105¾	106⅜	+ 2½
130¾	100⅞	2,800	Del, Lack & West (6)	115	114¼	113	— ¾
111	100¾	1,100	Detroit Edison Co (5)	105	103¼	104¼	+ ¼
30	20	100	Detroit & Mackinac	20	20	20	
35	25	100	Do pf	25	25	25	
23	18¾	2,000	Dome Mines (3)	19⅜	19⅜	19⅜	+ ⅛
14⅜	11	1,500	Douglas-Pectin (1)	11½	11	11¼	+ ⅛
4⅝	2	1,900	Duluth, S S & Atlantic	2¾	2	2	— ⅛
⅝	⅜	900	Do pf	⅝	⅜	⅜	— ⅛
148¼	106	13,200	Dupont de Nemours (8)	131¼	127⅞	129¾	+ 3¼
89¾	83	400	Do deb (6)	86	85¾	86	
115⅜	89¾	1,300	EASTMAN KOD (16%)	108⅜	107⅜	108½	+ ⅛
27	20	7,500	Eaton A & B (2.60)	23½	22	23	— ⅛
67⅛	60	1,300	Elec Stg Bat (15%)	61½	60	60¾	+ ⅛
20⅜	15⅜	1,900	Elk Horn Coal	19⅜	19¼	19⅜	+ ⅛
31	20	100	Do pf	20	20	20	+ ⅛
7⅛	⅝	3,600	Emerson Brantingham	1	⅞	1	+ ⅛
30⅜	6¼	9,600	Do pf	9	7½	7½	
94¼	88⅝	4,900	Endicott-Johnson (5)	88¼	85¾	84½	— ⅝
113	106	1,000	Do pf (7)	110½	110¼	110¼	+ ¼
23⅜	10¼	26,400	Erie	22⅜	21⅛	21⅝	— ⅛
31½	15	12,900	Do 1st pf	30⅜	29⅝	29⅝	+ ⅜
27¾	10⅜	8,300	Do 2d pf	26¾	25	25	
21	19⅛	500	Exchange Buffet (3)	20	19⅜	19⅜	— 1⅛
3	3	200	FAIRBANKS CO	3¼	3	3¼	— ⅛
93	82	39,900	Famous Play Lask (8)	73	69⅝	70⅜	+ 2⅜
99¾	93	1,200	Do pf (8)	95	95	95	+ ¼
13	7	400	Federal Min & Smelt	10	9¼	9¼	— ⅛
60⅜	34⅜	1,600	Do pf (7)	41½	40	41	— 2
103	100	100	Fidelity Phenix F I (6)	118	118	x118	+ 8
10⅝	7¼	6,700	Fifth Avenue Bus (60c)	9¼	9¼	9¾	+ ⅛
212¾	149	4,500	Fisher Body (10)	164	160	164	+ 1
103¾	94	100	Do Ohio pf (8)	98	98	98	— 1
16¼	5⅞	19,100	Fisk Rubber	9¼	7⅞	8¼	+ ⅜
47⅞	37⅜	1,500	Fleischmann Co (75%)	44⅞	44⅜	44⅝	— ⅛
97⅜	80¾	600	Foundation Co (6)	87	86½	86¾	— ⅛
22	9½	2,900	Freeport-Texas	12⅜	11⅜	12	— ⅜
14⅜	5	2,200	GARDNER MOTOR	5¾	5	5	
71⅞	39⅛	3,875	Gen Am Tank Car (5)	44⅞	41	43¼	+ 1½
103¾	91	100	Do pf (7)	96	95	95	— ¾
54	33	22,200	General Asphalt	43⅜	39⅛	40⅛	— 1
93	80	1,100	Do pf (6)	84½	82	82	— 1
97⅞	80¾	11,900	General Cigar (6)	97¼	94⅜	96¾	+ 1½
109¾	104¼	100	Do Deb pf (7)	106	106	106	+ 1¾
202¾	107⅞	68,800	General Electric (5)	197½	192	196	+ 4
19	10¾	2,500	Do Special (20c)	11	10⅝	10⅝	— ⅛

1923 High.	Low.	Sales.	Stock and Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Ch'ge.
17½	12¾	87,600	General Motors (1.20)	15	14⅜	14⅝	+ ⅛
89	73	500	Do pf (8)	81½	81½	81½	— ⅛
105	93¾	900	Do Deb (6)	99	98	99	
90	79¾	2,000	Do Deb (6)	81¾	81	81¾	— ⅛
55⅞	52	1,500	Gen Refractories (4)	53¼	52	53	— ⅛
51½	39½	1,000	Gimbel Brothers	48¾	47⅜	48¼	— ⅛
102¾	90⅝	400	Do pf (7)	99⅞	99	99½	+ ⅛
12⅜	8	1,000	Glidden Co	9¼	8¼	8¼	— ⅛
22⅞	5	6,950	Goldwyn Pictures	9⅜	8⅛	8¾	— ⅛
41¼	17⅜	4,500	Goodrich (B. F.) Co	23⅜	21	22	+ 1
92½	67⅞	700	Do pf (7)	75	73	73	— 1
62⅛	25	2,800	Goodyear T & R pf	40⅝	39¼	39¾	+ ⅜
99	86	500	Do prior pf (8)	89⅝	89	89¼	— ⅛
23	12	6,500	Graham Consol	15¼	13¾	14⅜	+ ⅝
15⅜	6⅜	2,400	Gray & Davis	7⅞	6⅝	7⅛	+ ⅛
80	50¾	20,100	Great Northn pf (5)	80⅜	81½	x53¾	
38	25	12,400	Do Certs of Or

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FINANCIAL LONDON LESS APPREHENSIVE

Expects Labor Government When Parliament Assembles, but Considers It Powerless.

HOPEFUL ON REPARATIONS

Stock Exchange "Cleaning Slates" and Awaiting Further Political Developments.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—A period of extreme idleness existed last week in all the London markets, especially on the Stock Exchange. To some extent this dullness was seasonal, but it was due to much greater extent to the obscurity of the political situation. It is now held as a foregone conclusion in the City that the Baldwin Ministry will go out of office soon after Parliament reassembles on Jan. 8. The only alternative is the formation of a Labor Government.

What Labor's actual program will be nobody, including the Labor Party itself, at present knows. But the alarm first felt in financial London over the prospect of a Socialistic Government has to some extent evaporated. Extreme legislation could not be carried out, because there is a proportion of two-thirds in Parliament against Socialistic legislation of any kind that has been threatened by the extremists.

Recovery on Stock Exchange.

Meanwhile, the brighter tone of the market must be ascribed mainly to the closing out of many bear positions, created immediately after the election. In all quarters, too, there has been a simultaneous year-end desire to get the slates as clean as possible before the new year. This has meant a good deal of liquidation which the markets were not in a position to withstand without damage.

Not only in the Stock Exchange but in other business circles, the immediate outlook is now regarded with greater confidence. No early results from the Reparation Committee's inquiry are to be anticipated, but the formation of this committee is inspiring confidence in business quarters. This explains why French exchange, after touching a new low record on Thursday of 86.50 francs to the pound, has recovered to 84.60. The Continent bought francs while sterling also received support.

Lower Maximum on Currency Notes.

Currency notes outstanding at the end of the week aggregated £299,070,208, as compared with £294,387,252 one week ago, £287,248,424 two weeks ago and £277,287,057 in March, which was the low point reached since the armistice. At the end of 1922 the amount outstanding was £301,366,709. The rise in circulation was again due to normal year-end demands, but this expansion was also regarded as giving some evidence of quickening trade.

The fiduciary issue is now £248,190,953. This is the highest of the year and will, therefore, constitute the legal maximum for 1924. The legal maximum for 1923 was £270,183,821. If the new maximum should be exceeded because of the expansion of trade, Bank of England notes must be transferred to the currency note redemption account as the equivalent of gold cover. In such event, the Bank of England reserve would suffer owing to expansion in its note circulation.

CONTINUED RECOVERY IN THE FRANC DOUBTED

London Gratified by Paris Talk of Deflation Policy, but Fears Elections.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—It is observed with satisfaction here, in connection with last week's recovery in Paris exchange, that the French Government is paying increasing attention to the depreciation in the franc, which is now causing considerable unrest among the French people because of the increased cost of living. The French Finance Minister said a few days ago that the only remedy was a strong deflation policy.

That is taken here to show a better grasp of real facts of the situation than the earlier tendency to blame foreign interests for working to bring the franc down. It is too much, however, to hope that French taxation will be imposed upon a scale for which the situation calls. The French elections is too near ahead. No very substantial recovery in the franc is looked for by financial London.

KEEPING BOOKS IN MARKS.

All Banks in Germany Now Post Accounts in Units of Trillions.

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BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The Reichsbank, followed by all private banks in Germany, is now doing business and booking accounts only in units of one trillion marks, followed by two decimals. This is recognized as another step toward formal "denominalization" of the paper mark.

Since the rentenmark is worth one trillion paper marks, the bookings in both currencies have become virtually identical.

QUIET WEEK ON BOERSE.

French Buying of German Shares—New Plan of Stock Quotations.

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BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The Berlin Boerse has been dull since the Christmas holiday. French buying of Upper Silesian metal stocks has, however, been noticeable.

The pending bill providing for industrial balance sheets in gold values will require reduction in the nominal value of the shares from their present preposterous figures, to units of ten or twenty gold marks.

BERLIN SURPRISED BY REICHSBANK RETURN

Ascribes 307 Quintillion Note Issue After Nov. 15 to Emergency Note Redemption.

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BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The increase of 307 quintillion marks in the Reichsbank statement for the last two weeks in November, published a few days ago, was not expected. The increase from 93 to 400 quintillions took place in spite of withdrawal from actual circulation of 94 quintillion marks of notes, following the cancellation of that amount in Government Treasury bill indebtedness. This increase was ascribed by the market partly to a greater demand for currency following the fall in the mark's value during early November, and partly to the issue of Reichsbank notes in exchange for local "emergency notes" issued by various authorities.

Contrasting with the large increase in note circulation during the last half of November was the heavy reduction in holdings of Treasury bills; commercial discounts, however, showing large increase. During the fortnight reported on, the Reichsbank's holding of discounted Treasury bills fell from nearly 300 quintillions on Nov. 15 to 96 quintillions on Nov. 30. This decline represented Treasury bills paid back with the 300,000,000 rentem marks advanced under the law for that purpose by the Rentem Bank.

The Government has so far borrowed only 100,000,000 out of the 500,000,000 authorized. The remaining 200,000,000 is more than sufficient to redeem all Treasury bills still held by the Reichsbank, and the Government is trying to borrow a hundred odd millions more for use in the covering of the current deficit.

Private discounts increased from 39 quintillions to 347. That was due mainly, not to new discounting of bills but to the fact that checks began to replace the slower system of transfers between banks; so that enormous quantities of these checks came into the Reichsbank's hands during the period, and were booked in the account of commercial discounts.

FRENCH VIEW OF OUR MARKET'S ATTITUDE

Belief That American Capital Will Necessarily Turn Again to Europe.

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PARIS, Dec. 30.—The opinion was freely expressed in Paris financial circles last week that the United States alone is able to grant Europe the necessary credits for financial reconstruction; furthermore, that it would be to the interest of American finance to grant such credits liberally. French financiers are not blind, however, to the fact that the American people do not at present seem inclined to purchase new foreign securities.

On the other hand, however, the point is made that if the American market continues the same policy during 1924, the American gold holdings will increase to a point at which they will bring about extremely hurtful credit inflation. In so far as the present trade prosperity in America results from the huge stock of gold, it is felt that a continuous rise in production costs would necessarily follow, with an increasingly bad effect on the foreign trade balance.

More than this, the Paris market holds that an impoverished Europe, with currencies depreciating for lack of outside economic help, is certain to be a bad customer for American industry, and that American producers would have reason next year to fear the competition of countries with depreciated exchange.

AUSTRIA TO BEGIN COINAGE OF SILVER

Stability of the Paper Currency Has Made New Decision Possible.

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VIENNA, Dec. 30.—The Government has felt secure enough in the matter of the currency to announce the introduction of a new silver coin. This does not signify establishment of a new currency, but is a transition step toward it and a departure from the despised paper currency.

The Austrian "silver shilling" will presumably form the basis for Stock Exchange quotations. The exchange quotation is now extremely confusing, shares with a nominal value of 200 to 400 crowns being worth many millions in today's paper currency. It is believed that these quotations are too low, although they are three times the prices of January, 1923. It is expected that the establishment of the silver shilling will raise quotations considerably.

FRENCH DEBT SETTLEMENT.

Rumors of Proposals to Washington Not Believed in Paris Market.

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PARIS, Dec. 30.—Rumors which have circulated in foreign markets concerning early discussions of the French debt settlement with the United States Government may be positively dismissed as groundless. All responsible authorities in France hold that it will be impossible to contemplate payment on this indebtedness until Germany is paying her reparations debt. No French Government is at all likely to separate the two questions.

This belief arises from the fact that not only has the French treasury been bearing single-handed the cost of reconstruction, but that it has had to pay out during 1923 1,200,000,000 francs for interest and repayment on foreign loans made in the open market during the war.

GOLD MOVEMENT LIGHT.

Week's London Shipments Only $850,000, Mostly to New York.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—Gold imports into England last week were only £875. Exports were £170,000.

Of the exports the United States took £114,000.

MARK INFLATION IS SAID TO BE ENDED

Berlin Learns That Currency Printing Firms Have Already Stopped Business.

TREASURY IN DIFFICULTY

Government Must Borrow From the Public Until the New "Gold" Taxes" Are Collected.

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BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Semi-officially, the Reichsbank insists that mark inflation is really at an end. By Nov. 30 half of the 130 private note-printing firms had already ceased work, and the other half had stopped by Dec. 10. The last weekly output of notes from these sources is being held by the Reichsbank as a reserve for further exchange against emergency notes and against its own low-figure notes. The policy is to withdraw and cancel all Reichsbank notes of less denomination than 500 billions.

Meantime it is understood that, notwithstanding the large increase in circulation contained in the statements for November, the Reichsbank's return for Dec. 7 will see a decline of outstanding circulation from 400 quintillions to 390, and a reduction in the week of Dec. 15 to 258 quintillions. Further continuous decline is expected for the later weeks.

The Shadow of State Embarrassment.

On the eve of the new year the currency and business outlook in Germany remains entirely under the shadow of the Government's financial predicament. Within the next three months the Government, without counting the cost of occupation forces or reparations, will need at least 1,300 million gold marks; but the latest and most optimistic estimate of yield from the reformed taxes is 950 millions.

The financial public still does not know how the Government is going to "carry on" until the new taxes come in. As concerns its attempt to borrow rentenmarks from the public by way of the banks, which seems the only possible way of avoiding fresh inflation, no judgment can safely be made at the moment, because the rentenmark Treasury bills, by means of which this borrowing will be done, are not yet issued.

Treasury and Rentenbank.

During the first half of January, however, the Treasury will receive instalments of income taxes, bread levy, sales tax. The third important taxation decree, bearing on rent taxation, has not yet been issued, owing to differences in the Cabinet.

The first Rentenbank statement is expected in a few days. Meantime, Schacht, the new Reichsbank President, is on record as intending formally to resist any Government attempt to revert to paper mark inflation. He will push his plan for a gold mark currency, secured partly on foreign credits and therefore necessarily in part under foreign control.

GERMAN PLAN FOR TAX ON RENTS IS RESISTED

Believed That 50 Per Cent. Levy Would Leave No Net Income to Landlords.

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BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The announcement by the Government of its decree providing for restoration of pre-war gold rents by next October has raised a storm among tenant organizations, and some ministers fear the political results. The main feature of this proposed reform is the power given to States and municipalities to take in taxation 50 per cent. of the gross rents. Before the war approximately all of this 50 per cent. went to payment of interest on mortgages; but the present decree enacts that all mortgages shall remain mere paper mark securities.

This means that the mortgages are entirely obliterated. That result of the German currency depreciation is described in the Berlin financial markets as being the biggest event in the way of wholesale expropriation of capital that has ever occurred in history. It is estimated in many quarters that the 50 per cent. of rents which will remain for the landlords after paying the tax would leave them no net income worth mentioning from their property, having in view the need of repairing houses which are all but ruined.

BRITISH RAILWAYS AFTER AMALGAMATION

Reason for Recent Decline in Their Shares—Better Earnings Expected.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—The recent decline in British railway securities is not due, as some people might think, to bad results following the grouping of all systems into four big groups. The weakness is attributed on the Stock Exchange to fear of nationalization, because this is looked upon as the policy which the Labor Party is definitely committed to once it gets firmly into office. As regards the operations of the roads under the new system, no definite conclusions can yet be reached. Figures thus far supplied are so meagre as to be almost useless. Gross receipts alone are published and these show considerable reduction, owing to lower freight rates and fares.

On the other hand, very considerable savings must have been effected owing to economical operation resulting from the elimination of wasteful competition. In a general sense it is probably true that the first year's operations under the group system have yielded moderately good results. The large sums now being spent in renewals and betterments cannot bear fruit immediately and they mean the dissipation of reserves which have been earning interest.

The current quotations of railway securities probably underestimate rather than overestimate the possibilities of the roads, but they are believed on the market to appraise very accurately the immediate dividend prospects in view of the fact that reserves may again have to be drawn upon to maintain dividends.

January, 1924

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498th Monthly List of Principal and Interest Payments

[67 BOND ISSUES]

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Farmers & Mechanics Bank Bldg. (Fort Wayne, Ind.) ..... 1st 7's
Goddard Bldg. (Chicago) ..... 1st 6's
Harris Brothers Co. (Chicago) ..... 1st 7's
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Lincoln Square Bldg. (Detroit, Mich.) ..... 1st 6's
Madison Ave. Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Madison Park Bldg. (Chicago) ..... 1st 6's
Manchester Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Marlboro Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Max Pollack & Co., Inc. (Groton, Conn.) ..... 1st 7's
McCord & Company (Chicago) ..... 1st 6's
McCord Bldg., Inc. (Detroit, Mich.) ..... 1st 6's
Medford Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Metal Specialties Mfg. Co. (Chicago) ..... 1st 5½'s
Monticello Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Oxford Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Plymouth Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
Princeton Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
St. James Bldg. (Atlantic City, N. J.) ..... 1st 6's
Salmon Bldg. (Minneapolis, Minn.) ..... 1st 6's
Strauss Building (New York) ..... 1st 6's
67 Park Ave. Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 6's
141 West 71st St. Apt. Bldg. (New York) ..... 1st 7's

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January 2nd, 1924.
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January 20th, 1924.
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January 4th, 1924.
Detroit, Hillsdale & Southwestern Railroad Company.

We desire to announce that the firm of

Emanuel, Parker & Company

will dissolve by limitation as of December 31, 1923, MR. J. H. EMANUEL, JR., withdrawing on that date.

THE remaining undersigned members of the firm, together with MR. GUSTAV L. STEWART, JR., announce that they have formed a co-partnership, which from and after January 1, 1924 will carry on the business now conducted by Emanuel, Parker & Company under the firm name of

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WE beg to announce that MR. IRA A. KIP has been admitted to membership in this firm and that MR. JASPER A. CAMPBELL, JR., has retired from membership, both as of January 1, 1924.

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PARIS HAD EXPECTED FRANC'S RECOVERY

Bourse Speculators Refused to Open Commitments Based on Further Depreciation.

THE MARKET IN JANUARY

French Financiers and Public Men Insist That Decline Has Not Been Warranted by Economic Situation.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PARIS, Dec. 30.—The Bourse last week was entirely under the influence of the fluctuations in exchange. During the early days of the week, however, it was less stimulated than usual by the fall of the franc. Bourse speculation, which was already heavily committed to the rise, hesitated to undertake new operations based only on the depreciation in exchange.

It was felt on the Stock Exchange that the depreciation which culminated in the middle of the week had been too rapid not to be followed by abrupt upward reaction, and the subsequent course of the exchange market justified that view. The most unfavorable rate for the franc was quoted early in the week and the tendency thereafter was completely reversed.

Attitude Toward Fall in Franc.

The attitude of Government and market toward the recent depreciation of the franc is partly at least illustrated by the declarations made in Parliament by members of the Senate and Deputies' commissions; also by the Finance Minister. All of these statements insisted that the economic and financial situation of France does not justify such pessimism as the franc's decline seemed to indicate.

The market lays stress on the fact that requirements of exchange for commercial settlements abroad will presumably be lower in January than in December, and that this should contribute to recovery in the franc next month. It may be positively stated that the misgivings which have been widely expressed as a result of the recent franc depreciation have not been shared in responsible French financial circles, where the statement was generally made at the beginning of last week that the misgivings would disappear immediately if the exchange rates were to rise.

The French Elections.

In financial circles no apprehension has been felt about the coming French elections. The better-posted financiers express no fear of a Socialist victory, even of the kind that occurred in the British elections. Domestic policy, it is felt, may be slightly altered as a result of the elections, but no essential change is looked for either in foreign policy or in financial policy.

Moreover, it is believed that, since the Government is earnestly continuing its efforts to prevent the Chamber from approving new expenses on the eve of election, the new Deputies, having no election before them, will be even more judicious in matters of early legislation.

GERMAN VIEW OF THE MARK'S STABLE PRICE

Frankfurter Zeitung Believes Actual Mark Circulation Decreasing While Hoarding Increases.

According to the Frankfurter Zeitung, "the 'mark panic,' which was but recently a special characteristic of the exchange situation in Germany, is happily at an end. It was replaced by an increasing demand for the paper mark, which gradually becomes a factor of value, and is being used to an increasing extent as an accounting basis for wholesale and retail transactions. The stoppage of the printing press and the absorption of the paper mark by the stable-payment media have created a tendency not altogether free from speculation in the mark, which finds expression in a considerable accumulation of paper mark funds.

"It is calculated that, as the penetration of the rentenmark progresses, the circulating quantities of paper marks should diminish pretty steadily, and that the possibility might even arise that the paper mark, as a legal tender, would gain in importance if measured with foreign or internal currencies. As the value of the rentenmark measured in paper marks is dependent upon the state of the foreign exchanges, the hoarders of the paper mark must be influenced by the present tendency of rates, which in fact they are helping to support by their own action."

SEE GOOD OUTLOOK FOR OIL

Sinclair and Teagle Predict Big Improvement in the Industry.

The coming year should be a good one for the petroleum industry, according to H. F. Sinclair, Chairman of the Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corporation. He referred to the fact that in the last two years eight new major oil fields have been discovered or brought to their peak of production, and said that any two of these fields, ten years ago, would have demoralized the industry.

Mr. Sinclair said that although naturally production has exceeded the immediate demand, the tide began to turn last Summer and consumption should soon exceed production. "The American public should realize," he said, "that present prices of petroleum are absolutely low and cannot be permanently maintained. No industry can be expected to continue operating at a loss."

The improvement in the industry during the last two weeks is expected to continue, in the opinion of Walter C. Teagle, President of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. In a statement reviewing the industry for 1923 Mr. Teagle calls attention to the sharp falling off in production in the Powell field in Texas, and the falling gas pressure in the California fields. In view of this, he says, "the country should begin consuming more petroleum than it is producing around the middle of next Summer."

CITIES SERVICE CO. RECORD.

H. L. Doherty & Co. Estimate Year's Sales at $4,800,000.

Merchandise sales of the Cities Service Company in 1923 established a new high record, according to estimates made for the last week of December by Henry L. Doherty & Co. Actual sales from Dec. 1 to Dec. 25 were $853,679, and the estimate for the whole month is $960,000. This compares with a total of $482,626 in December last year.

Total merchandise sales for 1923 will be about $4,800,000, a new high record. These sales were made to 413,776 customers, an average of $11.60 to each.

YEAR OF RECOVERY IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Unemployment Small, Production Large, Export Surplus in Foreign Trade.

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BERLIN, Dec. 30. — Czechoslovakia had a good year in 1923, characterized by distinct recovery from the "deflation prices" caused by the doubling of the Czech crown exchange during 1922. The country's last unemployment report gave the number of men out of work at 49,000, against a maximum of 350,000 in 1922. In the first nine months of 1923 the average monthly export surplus from Czechoslovakia was 248,000,000 crowns, October alone showing an import surplus.

The year's recovery was materially helped by the shortage of iron and coal in unoccupied Germany, caused by the Ruhr occupation. Production costs declined in Czechoslovakia, coal prices were reduced and reduction of iron prices is expected next year. The machinery industry still complains, but large orders have lately been received for wire.

Late in the year there was a radical change in trade policy whereby the Czech Government abolished restrictions on the import of a large number of important wares. This was interpreted here as expression of a wish for free trade, enabling Czechoslovakia to fulfill her natural function as an exporter of finished goods. Her former tariff policy compelled the less profitable export of coal, heavy iron and wood.

The financial position of the Czechoslovakian Government has improved, though still not fully satisfactory. Budget estimates for 1924 show a deficit of 602,000,000 crowns, but expenditure is to be reduced 10 per cent., as compared with 1923. Meantime industrial and commercial prospects for 1924 are good.

OUR SURPLUS GOLD AND EUROPE'S NEED

London Asking if America Will Not Resume Purchasing Europe's Securities.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—An interesting aspect of the decision of America to participate in the inquiry into Germany's finances, which is claiming some attention in the City, is the probable influence which this co-operation may have upon the American demand for European securities. Lack of confidence has greatly diminished that demand during recent years. It is being asked, therefore, whether America's present action in joining the committees will aid in the restoration of confidence.

Financial London does not suppose that the general run of American investors care any more today for foreign investments than they have in the past; but the question is raised whether American financial houses will not again take up foreign loans, and whether, if they do so, they will hold them and not get rid of the securities at the earliest and most favorable opportunity. If at any time active use is to be made of America's redundant gold supply, the feeling here is that it must be brought into play in this way.

Before anything could be done in regard to using American gold there would, however, have to be exchange stability of some sort and guarantees that real value could be returned for real value given.

GERMAN PRICES GO LOWER.

Average Down 25 Per Cent. in Month—Unemployment Large.

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Special Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Prices continue to fall. The official cost of living estimate as of Dec. 22, based on the unit of 1 for 1914, was 1,150 billions, as against the maximum of 1,535 billions reached on Nov. 26. Manufacturers of tubes, castings, axles and other iron goods have reduced their prices about 20 per cent.

Chancellor Marx estimates the unemployed in Germany as 3,500,000, of whom 2,000,000 were in the occupied territory. Meantime the decree rescinding the eight-hour labor law has been issued. The Hamburg Chamber of Commerce reports the freight market growing worse and complains that the German railroad tariff is diverting goods to shipping points such as Antwerp and Rotterdam.

OFFER NEW COMPANY STOCK

Issue of 20,000 Shares of Fire Insurance Concern Is Expected.

It is expected a block of 20,000 shares of the capital stock of the Lincoln Fire Insurance Company of New York will be offered by Paine, Webber & Co. This stock presents the total capital of the company, each share having a par value of $20.

In a statement issued yesterday it was said that "The Lincoln Fire Insurance Company was chartered under the insurance laws of the State of New York on Dec. 8, 1923, with a charter which gives it full powers to conduct a general fire insurance business. Its principal purpose is to operate as a fire reinsurance company. The company is one of a group of five reinsurance companies under the same management."

AVERAGE PRICES HIGHER.

Slight Advance Last Week—December's Average Lowest of Year.

Special to The New York Times.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 30.—Professor Irving Fisher's copyrighted index number of American commodity prices, based on 100 as the average for 1913, was 151 for the past week, as compared with 150 in the week preceding and with 151 in the earlier weeks of December.

The average for the full month of December is 151, comparing with 152 in November and 155 both in October and September. The average for the quarter ending with December is 153; the average for the full calendar year is 158.

The highest percentage of the present year was 168, reached on April 7; the lowest 150, reached in the week ending Dec. 16. The highest point reached since the war was 247, in May, 1920; the lowest 126, in January, 1922.

Inequalities of British Prices.

The London Economist's estimate of British prices shows textiles to average now 126 per cent. above 1914, the advance in metals and minerals having been 68 per cent. and in cereals and meat 46 per cent.

LEADERS TO WEIGH TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

Hundreds of Business Men to Meet Here Jan. 3 to Advise With the Railroads.

PLAN PERMANENT BODY

Meeting to Organize Middle Atlantic Coast Regional Advisory Board.

More than 100 business men from New York City and the surrounding district, and representatives of sixty trade organizations will meet at the Yale Club on Jan. 3 to advise with the railroads in the solution of the traffic problems in this district. This is the first movement toward the organization of the Middle Atlantic Coast Regional Advisory Board, a permanent body to represent the shippers of this district in their relations with the railroads.

This board is to be one of the several regional shippers' boards being formed by the American Railway Association. It will include New York State, except the Niagara region, Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. The purpose of the New York board will be similar to that of the boards already organized in the Northwestern, the Central Western, the Trans-Missouri-Kansas, and the Southwestern Districts. It will bring all the important shipping interests together with the railroads to develop in advance the probable transportation demands of each region and the most equitable means of meeting them.

Among those who have been invited to attend the initial conference from New York are the following:

W. J. L. Banham, General Traffic Manager, Otis Elevator Company.
George S. Fentriss, J. B. King & Co.
J. S. Marvin, Traffic Manager, National Automobile Chamber of Commerce.
P. W. Moore, Manager, Traffic Bureau, Chamber of Commerce of the Borough of Queens.
J. S. Ross, Traffic Manager, General Chemical Company.
F. R. Wadleigh, Vice President, Tuttle Coal Corporation.
Frank Sisson, Vice President, Guaranty Trust Company.
C. A. Austin, President, Seaboard National Bank.
John W. Platten, President, U. S. Mortgage and Trust Company.
H. M. Freer, Traffic Manager, the Fleischman Company.
W. O. Mitchell, Traffic Manager, Central Leather Company.
John T. Reilly, Traffic Manager, New York Plaque Manufacturers Association.
Allan Wallace, Traffic Manager, Johns-Manville Company.
P. M. Ripley, Traffic Manager, American Sugar and Refining Company.
W. A. Schumacher, General Traffic Manager, United Fruit Company.
W. S. Phippin, Traffic Manager, National American Wholesale Lumber Association.
H. F. Bell.
William Jarvis, Traffic Manager, the Texas Company.
R. F. Ostrander, Traffic Manager, Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.
Charles J. Austin, Manager, New York Products Exchange, Bureau of Trade and Transportation.
A. H. Campbell, Traffic Manager, International Paper Company.
G. W. Schnell, Traffic Manager, Union Bag and Paper Corporation.
J. J. Collinter, Traffic Manager, Atlas Portland Cement Company.
A. C. Spencer, Breed Abbott & Morgan.
L. F. Dunham, President, Caddo Oil Company.
B. Divine, Continental Paper Bag Company.
C. C. A. Butler, Traffic Manager, Anaconda Copper Company.
J. W. Bingham, Traffic Manager, Corn Products Company.
Charles W. Crane, Manufacturers Association of New York.

Representatives from Jersey City will include:

W. K. Forrest, Traffic Manager, Armour & Co.
D. M. Pomfret, Traffic Manager, Colgate & Co.
James J. Cullington, Publicity Bureau, Chamber of Commerce.

Those invited from Newark are:

R. W. Mulhearn, Traffic Manager, Murphy Varnish Company.
Eric E. Ebert, Traffic Representative Metropolitan Yellow Pine Association.
O. J. Fagg, Manager, Traffic Bureau, Chamber of Commerce.

Trade organizations that have been requested to attend the conference are:

American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers.
American Cranberry Exchange.
American Iron and Steel Institute.
American Exporters and Importers Association.
American Hardware Manufacturers' Association.
American Newspaper Publishers Association.
American Petroleum Association.
American Road Builders Association.
Associated Leather Goods Manufacturers Association, U. S. A.
Eastern Hollow Building Tile Manufacturers Association.
Biscuit and Cracker Manufacturers Association of America.
American Boiler Manufacturers Association.
American Gas Association, Inc.
American Paper and Pulp Association.
American Supply and Machinery Manufacturers Association.
American Zinc Institute, Inc.
Association of Edison Illuminating Companies.
Eastern Paving Brick Manufacturers Association.
The Common Brick Manufacturers Association.
Cordage Institute.
National Association of Book Publishers.
National Association of Manufacturers of the United States.
National Canners Association.
National Contractors Association.
National Federation of Construction.
National Fertilizer Association.
National Terra Cotta Society.
National Varnish Manufacturers Association.
National Paint, Oil and Varnish Association.
National Paper Trade Association.
Paint Manufacturers Association of the United States.
International Association of Garment Manufacturers.
National Association of Hosiery and Underwear Manufacturers.
National Association Sand and Gravel Producers.
National Boot and Shoe Manufacturers Association of United States.
National Jewelers Board of Trade.
National Lime Association.
National Wholesale Grocers Association.
National Lumber Manufacturers Association.
National Wholesale Jewelers Association.
National Wholesale Lumber Dealers Association.
National Wholesale Dry Goods Association.
National Retail Dry Goods Association.
New York and New Jersey Live Stock Exchange Association.
Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware Wholesale Grocers.
Periodical Publishers Association of America.
The Rubber Association of America, Inc.
New York State Coal Merchants Association.
The Silk Association of America.
World's Dairy Congress Association.
Northeastern Retail Lumbermen's Association.
American Fruit and Vegetable Shippers.
Fruit and Produce Association.
California Fruit Distributors.

In addition to those mentioned, business representatives have been invited from Philadelphia and other cities in the district, including those of special industries, such as fruit growing and dairying.

FINANCIAL NOTES.

W. C. Langley & Co., 115 Broadway, have prepared an analysis of the Consolidated Gas Company of New York, with particular reference to the conversion rights.

Gerard Wendt, manager of the bond department of Spencer B. Koch & Co., will be admitted as a general partner on Jan. 1, 1924.

Tucker, Anthony & Co. announce that Rodney W. Williams, a member of the New York Stock Exchange, has been admitted as a partner in their firm.

Mayer Willett has been admitted to the firm of Bristol & Bleser as of Jan. 1, 1924.

H. Voorhees Borden and Alfred M. Sampter have formed a co-partnership under the firm name of Borden & Sampter, with offices at 61 Broadway, to transact an investment bond business.

Brown Brothers & Co. have prepared for distribution their January circular describing various issues of tax-exempt and corporation bonds yielding from 4.3 4ear curr. to 7.85 per cent.

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(As officially reported)

Estimated value of real estate, 1923	$10,383,060
Assessed value of real estate, 1923	5,141,530
Assessed valuation personal property, 1922	5,053,109
Total bonds outstanding, including this issue	388,100
Population, 1920 census	6,883
" 1923 estimate	7,700

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HOLIDAYS LOW-DOWN AT THE STEEL MILLS

But Fewer Departments Are Closed for Repairs Than Had Been Figured Upon.

AWAIT NEW BUYING SEASON

Operators Look for a Gradual Broadening Out of Markets With the New Year.

Special to The New York Times.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 30.—There has been less closing of departments at steel mills for repairs over the holidays than was expected, only a few departments having been idle in the past week. Steel-making units have continued in operation, while blast furnaces have been going as usual.

Lately many of the orders for finished steel products received by mills have carried instructions that shipment be not made until after Jan. 1, and thus prompest is afforded that mill operations will be heavier in January than they have been in the past month, although on the whole steel production has lately been heavier than was expected.

Steel ingot production has averaged a rate of about 37,000,000 tons a year in the past two months, this comparing with a record high rate of 49,000,000 tons in April and a rate of about 45,000,000 tons in the first two months of this year. The decrease in mill operations is less than was being expected six months ago. The recent rate, while 25 per cent. under the record high rate, is 15 per cent. above the average rate in the four post-war years 1919 to 1922, inclusive.

Since the maintenance of steady prices on steel products is considered a stimulus to steel market activity a development of no small importance is the firming up in the sheet market in the past week. Shading of the regular prices has come to involve so small a proportion of the total turnover as to be inconsequential, leaving the sheet market properly quotable at the full prices of last April.

In November there was considerable shading in automobile sheets, and the automobile and parts makers set out to secure a general reduction of $5 a ton from the 3.35c basis. Orders for prompt delivery were negotiated very strenuously, and many were placed at concessions, rarely amounting to more than $3 a ton. Several large sheet interests, including the Steel Corporation, absolutely refused to make concessions on any grade of sheets, yet were able to book a fair volume of business.

None of the mills, it appears, made concessions on shipments over first quarter, the shading being for the purpose of securing orders for early rolling. The concessions have now dwindled until only three or four mills have been doing any shading of late.

Prices have been quite well held right along in other prominent finished steel lines, with bars at 2.40c, shapes and plates at 2.50c, merchant pipe at 62 per cent. basing discount, with all country goods in proportion, plain wire at 2.75c, wire nails at $3 and tin plate at $5.50.

Chicago has had its own basing on bars, shapes and plates for a long time, at 2.3 a ton over the Pittsburgh base, and there have been no irregularities there. In Eastern Pennsylvania no separate basing has been established, there being occasional cuts of about $2 a ton on bars, shapes and plates.

Among steel producers, there seems to be entire confidence that finished steel prices will hold without any question for an indefinite period. As to the near-by future, they expect the prompt buying of the last few weeks to develop into larger and larger tonnages in the first couple of months of the new year, and with the opening of Spring to broaden into a general buying movement that will give the mills a comfortable operation through the Summer. Not until March comes around is it deemed safe to make forecasts good for several months.

The trade appears to have formed a definite opinion that Lake Superior iron ore prices will come down 50 cents for the 1924 season. This would restore the schedule of 1922. As well as that of 1917, making Mesaba non-Bessemer ore $5.05, f. o. b. Lake Erie docks. The reduction would be borne partly by the ore producers and partly in the lake vessel rate. Such a reduction in iron ore would not presage any decline in pig iron prices, being rather a result of the decline that occurred some time ago in pig iron.

Generally speaking, the pig iron market has continued very quiet. The merchant furnaces making foundry iron are comfortably sold for two or three months, and the price is firm at $22, valley, as minimum, with $23.50 frequently obtained on small lots. In basic iron ore there is a firmer feeling, with somewhat reduced chances of $21, valley, being shaded. One prominent producer, indeed, has advanced its asking price to $22. An investor has bought 5,000 tons of Bessemer iron at the full price of $23, valley, which is considered significant.

CATTLE MARKET IRREGULAR.

Live Stock Prices Are Slightly Above Those of Week Ago.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Live stock values were irregular, with a break of 25 to 50 cents in beef steers at one time, and a recovery, with an average for the week of $8.05, or 10 cents better than the previous week, as compared with $8.80 last year. The ten-year average is $10.05.

Hogs closed at the high of the week, with a top of $7.25 and an average of $7, or 10 cents better than the previous week, but $1.45 under last year. An outstanding feature was the heavy buying by shippers, 60,000 for the week. Eastern markets needing supplies forced packers to compete, which accelerated the advance. The week's receipts of 195,000 compared with 242,000 the previous week and 196,000 last year, the reduction being due largely to the Christmas holidays.

The twenty markets of the West have received 43,117,000 hogs for the fifty-two weeks this year, compared with 44,023,000 last year, while receipts of all live stock at the twenty points for the year were 72,751,000, compared with 62,400,000 last year.

Estimated receipts at Chicago for this week are cattle, 65,000; hogs, 250,000; sheep, 70,000. Receipts last year were cattle, 50,000; hogs, 228,000; sheep, 621,000.

GRAIN POOL SALES COSTLY.

Cheaper, Farmers' Association Says, to Handle at Home Elevators.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Evidence is accumulating rapidly that it costs more to handle a bushel of wheat under the pool method of operation than through the organized grain exchanges. The report of the Southwest Wheat Grower Association, operating in Oklahoma and Texas, and which handled 3,122,000 bushels of wheat through pool operations, showed handling charges of 14.6 cents a bushel, while investigations made by the Farmers' Co-operative Dealers' Association indicate that members of the pool received 8 to 13 cents a bushel less than those who marketed at their home elevators.

This is in line with the experiences in the Northwest, where pool members received three to five cents a bushel less than those that marketed grain independently.

A Russian Soviet Government report shows that it cost 32.3 cents a bushel to ship wheat from that country to London compared with a pre-war cost of 15.9 cents, without any allowance in either case for depreciation, but the movement of corn remains as light as at present, no decline of consequence is expected in the price of that grain by some of the leading cash handlers.

BIG HOLIDAY TRADE IN WESTERN STORES

Pre-Inventory Sales Season Begins With Weather That Checks Business.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Holiday trade in Chicago is estimated at $60,000,000 to $100,000,000. With the holiday rush over, buying has subsided both in the wholesale and retail trade and only a normal business is under way. Traveling men are out on the road again after the holiday vacation and there were about the usual number of buyers on the market here during the week who were after bargains and took only moderate lines.

Retailers are all having their pre-inventory sales, especially of heavy Winter goods, which have not moved as expected, owing to unseasonable weather. The last few days, however, have witnessed lower temperatures, and its continuance will increase purchases of overcoats and underwear that are to be had at reduced prices.

The steel industry starts the new year with a better tonnage for the first quarter than has been booked of late and with prospects satisfactory. A good many of the mills being well sold up for the first three months. Railroads are asking for early deliveries of rail orders placed months ago and mills are increasing their output. The average of the country is around 71 per cent. Prices show decided steadiness. Good-sized orders for cars are being placed and 35,000 tons of steel were taken by car builders against orders in hand.

Western railroads are having a good business, although several of the large systems are handling 2 to 7 per cent. less than a year ago, while others are moving 2 to 7 per cent. more revenue-paying cars than for the first twenty-six days in December, as compared with a year ago. Grain loading throughout the Northwest and West has increased slightly, while the movement of merchandise and miscellaneous freight fell off last week, due in a measure to the Christmas holidays.

Coal business is under last year's. Power and cars were never in better shape than at present. There are more idle cars, yet the business is the largest known for this period, taking the country in all. The coal industry is in an unsatisfactory condition, with many mines in the Middle West closed.

In a few lines there is a firmer tone to values, oils advancing. Building operations are active and materials are selling better than usual at this season.

In all other lines there is nothing out of the ordinary. Merchants are meeting their bills with satisfaction to all interests. Money is coming back from the country faster than usual, owing to continued free marketing of live stock, while moderate sales of grains by farmers are enabling country bankers to gradually liquidate their loans to correspondents in leading financial centres, as well as to the Federal Reserve banks.

GRAIN PRICES ENDING THE YEAR MORE FIRM

Bearish Influence in Wheat Discounted by Declines—Uncertainty in Corn.

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Grain prices have taken a turn for the better and finished around the highest of the week, with wheat up ¾ to 1¼ cents, corn, ¾ to 1; oats 1 to 1¾, and rye, ¾ to 1 cent better than a week ago.

Bearish influences have been well discounted in wheat by recent declines. As to corn, one of the largest cash handlers here says that the future course of prices is up to the farmer. If he sells more freely for the next sixty days, prices will go lower. Should marketing be at the same average as of late, no material decline is looked for.

A feature of the trading on Saturday was the large buying of wheat and sales of corn by Mincer, who was closing spreads preparatory to going away. Indications are for a good increase in wheat and corn stocks at a number of leading points. December contracts have been well provided for.

Deliveries of wheat for the month on December contracts aggregate 3,065,000 bushels; corn, 2,283,000, and oats, 3,227,000. As well as that of 1917, making Mesaba non-Bessemer ore $5.05, f. o. b. Lake Erie docks. The reduction would be borne partly by the ore producers and partly in the lake vessel rate. Such a reduction in iron ore would not presage any decline in pig iron prices, being rather a result of the decline that occurred some time ago in pig iron.

Winter wheat conditions are good for practically the whole territory, with plenty of moisture. There is a good stand over the entire Southwest. There is mention of drought in a few reports, but it is not general.

Corn husking is nearly completed except in the Middle West, where fields have been too wet, and there are complaints of rotting in the shock and cribs. In Illinois and parts of Indiana there is more corn in the field than usual at this time of the year.

Farmers in Indiana and Illinois and a good part of Iowa are marketing very little corn, as they want 60 to 65 cents at loading stations, while in parts of Nebraska and Northern Kansas, Minnesota and South Dakota they are selling fairly and the bulk of the movement to primary markets is from these sections.

Primary receipts of wheat for the week were 5,516,000 bushels, a decrease of 2,775,000 bushels, and compare with last year's showing of 13,572,000 bushels.

Corn receipts have been 9,268,000 bushels, a decrease for the week of 898,000 bushels; last year 10,978,000 bushels.

Total receipts for all grains are 20,751,000 bushels, a decrease of 16 per cent. from the previous week and 33 per cent. from last year, although 11 per cent. over a five-year average.

COMMODITY PRICES.

Majority of Cash Staples Show Firm Values—Only Few Articles Decline.

Following are the cash prices for the principal commodities in the wholesale market at the close of business Saturday, a week before, and a year ago:

	Dec. 29.	Dec. 22.	Dec. 30.
FOODSTUFFS—	1922.	1922.	1922.
Wheat, No. 2 red	1.23¾	1.23½	1.49
Corn, No. 2 yellow	.85¾	.89	.80¾
Oats, No. 2 white	.54½@.55	.54	.38
Flour, Minn. patents	6.15	6.35	7.60
Coffee, No. Rio	.19¾	.19¾	.11¾
Sugar, granulated	.053	.053	.07
Butter, cream, 92 score	.53	.55	.59½
Eggs, fresh-gathered firsts, per dozen	.43@.45	.43	.42
Lard, tubs, W.	11.50@12.00	12.45	11.60
Pork, mess	35.50@36.50	36.50	35.00
Beef, family	21.00@23.00	22.00	18.00
METALS—			
Iron, No. 1 Phila	34.50@34.50	34.50	32.00
Steel billets, Pitts	40.00	40.00	38.00
Lead	8.05	7.75	7.87½
Copper	13.90	12.90	14.62½
Tin	47.50	46.12½	53.00½
TEXTILES—			
Cotton, mid. upland	38.45	38.30	30.60
Print cloths	.06	.06	.07¾

Range of prices, year to date:

	Highest.		Lowest.	
Wheat	41.54	Feb. 15	31.13½	Aug. 6
Corn	1.12¾	Oct. 16	.60	June 23
Oats	.57½	Feb. 13	.43¼	July 13
Flour	7.60	Jan. 2	5.30	July 24
Coffee	.19¾	Feb. 16	.10¾	Aug. 29
Sugar	.10¾	Apr. 21	.04	Dec. 31
Butter	.56	Dec. 7	.37½	July 2
Eggs	.60	Nov. 13	.32½	June 21
Lard	14.80	Nov. 15	10.30	July 24
Pork	39.00	Jan. 2	25.00	Aug. 7
Beef	23.00	Dec. 4	16.00	Aug. —
Iron	33.75	Apr. 1	22.25	Nov. 2
Steel	45.00	Mar. 16	36.00	Jan. 2
Lead	8.25	Mar. 17	6.50	July 25
Copper	17.25	Mar. 10	12.90	Oct. 31
Tin	50.50	Mar. 15	37.37½	July 5
Cotton	37.85	Dec. 15	23.45	July 21
Print cloths	.08¼	Dec. 3	.06¾	July 21

Range of prices for 1922:

	Highest.		Lowest.	
Wheat	1.61¼	Apr. 22	1.12	Sept. 14
Corn	.94½	Dec. 12	.51½	Jan. 3
Oats	.58¾	Dec. 11	.38½	Jan. 21
Flour	9.05	Feb. 27	6.50	Aug. 17
Coffee	.11¾	Aug. 22	.09¾	Jan. 24
Sugar	.07¾	Nov. 17	.045	Jan. 3
Butter	.55	Dec. 13	.34½	Mar. 10
Eggs	.62	Nov. 27	.32½	Mar. 7
Lard	12.00	Nov. 28	9.50	Jan. 3
Pork	30.00	July 5	21.50	Jan. 24
Beef	19.00	Dec. 27	14.00	Mar. 17
Iron	30.50	Sept. 7	21.25	Mar. 17
Steel	40.00	Sept. 14	36.00	Jan. 10
Lead	7.87½	Nov. 22	4.87½	Jan. 3
Tin	36.75	Nov. 28	26.50	Mar. 14
Copper	14.62½	Dec. 29	11.50	Jan. 3
Cotton	32.50	Nov. 1	19.45	Jan. 3
Print cloths	.07¾	Nov. 24	.05¾	Feb. 3

BONDS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

WEEK ENDED DEC. 29, 1923.

	Last Week.	Year to Date.
Total sales	$53,928,750	$2,749,346,580
Same period a year ago	67,458,500	4,098,696,027

	Last Week. High.	Last Week. Low.	Year to Date. High.	Year to Date. Low.
Average price 40 bonds	76.67	76.56	79.40	75.58
Same period a year ago	79.13	78.53	82.54	75.01

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT LOANS

(Figures after decimal represent 32ds of 1 per cent.)

Range, 1923 High	Low	Sales		High	Low	Last	Net Ch'ge
101.30	99.3	2329	4¼s, 1923-47	99.30	99.3	99.3	—.15
101.25	99.4	19	4¼s, 1923-47, reg	99.4	99.4	99.4	—.23
98.30	97.8	2	4¼s 1st cv 4s, 1932-47	98.8	98.8	98.8	—.9
98.24	98.12	35	4¼s 2d 4s, 1927-42	98.4	98.2	98.4	..
100.00	97.5	9	4¼s 1st-2d cv 4¼s, 1932-47	98.10	98.6	98.10	+.4
99.6	98.22	4068	4¼s 1st cv 4¼s, '32-47	98.21	98.7	98.8	+.1
98.30	98.20	94	4¼s 1st cv 4¼s, 1932-47, reg	98.4	98.20	98.9	—.1
98.8	98.24	2469¾	4¼s 2d cv 4¼s, '27-42	98.5	98.4	98.7	+.1
98.28	98.31	20¾	4¼s 2d cv 4¼s, 1927-1942, reg	98.5	98.3	98.3	—.3
99.14	97.25	8602¾	4¼s 1st 4¼s, 1928	99.14	99.5	99.10	+.6
99.9	97.17	453	4¼s 1st 4¼s, 1928, reg	99.9	99.3	99.6	+.6
99.6	97.27	31719	4¼s 4th 4¼s, 1933-38	98.18	98.17	98.9	..
99.00	98.28	117	4¼s 4th 4¼s, 1933-1938, reg	..	..	..	..
100.1	98.1	1233¼	Treas 4¼s, 1947-52	98.12	98.8	98.8	+.1
100.00	98.20	19	Treas 4¼s, reg	99.0	98.8	99.0	+.4

Total sales $15,408,500

FOREIGN BONDS

Range, 1923 High	Low	Sales		High	Low	Last	Net Ch'ge
85¾	77¼	8	ARGENTINE 5s, 1945	83¾	83¼	83¼	— ½
103¾	100	63	Do 7s, 1927	101¾	101¼	101½	..
89¾	85½	139	Austrian Gov s f 7s, '43 rects	88½	85½	85½	— ½
52¾	35¼	39	CHINESE GOV RY 5s, '51	41¼	40	41¼	+ ¼
109¾	107	14	City of Bergen 6s, 1945	108	108¼	108¾	+ ¼
112¾	107½	11	City of Berne 5s, 1945	108	107½	108	+ ¼
83½	69	70¾	City of Bordeaux 6s, 1934	75¾	74	74	— 1
112	106	77	City of Christiania 6s, '45	108	107	107¾	+ ¾
93¼	80¾	27	City of Copen 5½s, 1944	87¾	87¼	87½	+ ¼
82¾	68	65¼	City of Gr Prague 7½s, '52	77	77	77	..
86¾	69	78¾	City of Lyons 6s, 1934	73¾	73½	73½	— ¾
83¾	69	40	City of Marseilles 6s, 1934	73¾	73¼	73¼	— ¼
91¾	85	8	City of Montevideo 7s, '52	89	89¼	89	+ ¼
100¾	92¼	53	City of Porto Alegre 8s, '61	93¾	92¾	93¼	+ ¼
97	93	91	City of Rio de Jan 6½s, '48	95	95	95	..
97	86¾	115	Do 8s, 1947	93	89¾	89	+ 1
99¾	93	68	City of Sao Paulo 8s, '52	94¾	93	95	— 1¾
95	89¼	10	City of Soissons 6s, 1936	91	91	91	— ¾
77¾	63	29	City of Tokio 5s, 1952	64¾	63½	64	+ ¼
114	106¼	12	City of Zurich 5s, 1945	113	110¾	111	+ ¼
96¾	75	25½	Czechoslovak Rep 8s, 1951	94¾	94	94¼	— ¼
106¾	100¾	9	DANISH M s f 8s, '46, A	104¾	103¾	103¾	+ ¼
106¾	105	5	Do s f 8s, 1946, B	105¾	105¾	105¾	+ ¼
90	73	51	Dept of Seine 7s, 1942	74¾	73	73½	— ¼
91	84	28	Dom Rep 5½s, 1942, cfs	86	85½	85¾	— ¼
102	89¾	10	Do 5s, 1958	101	101	101	+ 1
101	99	62	Dom of Can 5s, 1926	99¾	99¾	99¾	..
106¾	100	25	Do 5½s, 1929	104¼	104¼	104¼	+ ¼
101	99½	29	Do 5s, 1931	99¾	99¾	99¾	..
99¾	97½	199	Do 5s, 1932	98¾	98¾	98¾	+ ¼
98¾	92¼	65	Dutch East Indies 6s, '47	95¾	94¾	95¾	+ ¼
97¾	92¾	42	Do 6s, 1962	96¾	96¾	96¾	+ ¼
94¼	87¾	63	Do 6½s, 1939	90¾	89¾	90	..
85¾	83½	51	FRANKFURT I D 7½s, 1942	85¾	85	85	— ¼
101	93¾	895	French Gov 8s, 1945	95	94	94	— ¾
99¾	85	541	Do 7½s, 1941	92¾	91¾	92	+ ¼
92	71	49	HOLLAND AMER s f 6s, 1947	78	75¼	78	+ 3
94¾	90¼	2514	JAPANESE 4½s, 1925	93¾	93¾	93¾	..
93¾	90¾	24	Do 4½s, 2d series, 1925	94¾	93¾	93¾	..
83	75¾	9	Do 4s, sterling loan, '31	81	80¾	80¾	..
84½	72¾	66	Jurgens (A) Un Margarine Wks 6s, 1947, int cfs	79¾	77¾	79¾	+ 1¾
93¾	83¼	63	KING OF BELG 6s, 1925	97½	96¾	96¾	..
91¾	86¾	56	Do 7½s, 1945	97¾	97¾	97¾	..
103¾	91	277	Do 8s, 1941	97¾	97¾	97¾	+ ¼
110¾	107	10	King of Denmark 4s, '45	106¾	106	106	..
99	93	45	Do 4s, 1942	97¾	93	93¾	— ¾
96¾	92¼	4	Kingdom of Italy 6½s, '25	94¾	94¼	94¼	— ¼
102½	90¾	37	King of Neth 6s, 1972	96¾	94¾	96¾	+ 1¼
98¾	92¼	62	King of Norway 6s, '43, cfs	96¾	92¾	93	..
112¾	109	33	Do 5s, 1940	112	111¾	111¾	+ ¼
100	95¾	13	Do 5s, 1952	98	97¾	97¾	— ¼
79¾	53½	95	King of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes 8s, 1962	64¾	64	64¼	— ¼
106	101¾	50	King of Sweden 6s, 1939	104¾	104	104¾	— ¼
93¼	87	97	ORIENT DEV, deb 6s, '53	89¾	88	89¾	— ¼
78¼	63¾	203	PARIS-LYONS-MED RY 6s, 1958	68½	66¼	66¾	— 2¼
94	83¾	118	REP OF BOLIVIA 8s, '47	86¼	85¾	85¾	— ¼
97	85¾	84	Rep of Chile 7s, 1942	93	84¾	85	— 7¾
103¾	100¾	6	Do 8s, 1926	102¾	102¾	102¾	— ¼
106¾	100¾	15	Do 8s, 1941	104¾	102¼	102¾	— 2¾
105¾	100¾	2	Do 8s, 1946	105¾	103	103¾	— ¾
90¾	90	5	Rep of Colombia 6½s, '27	91¾	91¾	91¾	— ¼
89¾	80	669	Rep of Cuba 5½s, '53, ctfs	91¾	89¾	91	+ ¼
87	81¾	6	Do 4½s, 1949	82	82	82	..
95	87	1	Do 5s, 1949	92	92	92	..
100¾	100	33	Rep of El Salvador s f 8s, 1948, ctfs	100¾	100	100	..
98	80¼	7234	Rep of Haiti 6s, '52, A	85	86¼	86¾	— 1
97¾	94	17	Rep of Panama 5½s, '53 rects	96¾	96¼	96¾	..
107	101	4	Rep of Uruguay 8s, 1946	103¾	103	103¾	+ ¼
102¾	100	22	STATE QNSLD 8s, 1947	100¾	100	100¾	— ¼
100¾	100¾	20	Do 7s, 1941	100	100¼	100¾	— ¼
100	92	12	State of Rio Grande do Sul 8s, 1946	96	96	96	— 1
100¾	90¾	14	State of Sao Paulo 8s, '50	97¾	97	97½	+ 1
118¾	113½	97	Swiss Confed s f 8s, '40	115¾	113	115¾	+ ¼
116	100¾	4514	U K OF GT BRIT & IRE conv 5½s, 1929	106¾	106¾	106¾	— ¾
104¾	93¾	2083¾	Do 5½s, 1937	100¾	99¾	100	— ¼
104¾	94¾	2	U S of Brazil 7½s, 1952	96¾	96¾	96¾	..
99	81¾	93	Do 8s, 1941	96	94	94¾	— ¼
97	77½	170	Do Cent Ry E 7s, 1952	79	78	78	— 1
55¾	42¾	75¾	U S of Mexico 5s, 1945	44½	42¼	42¾	— 2¼
93	41	14	Do 5s, 1945, readjust of debt deposit rec'ts	42¾	42¼	42¾	— 2¼
11¾	25	66	Do 4s, 1954	26½	26	26¼	— ¾
30	21½	39	Do 4s, 1954, readjust of debt deposit rec'ts	27	26	27	+ 1
93	85	13	Un E S of Copenhagen 5s, 1957, ctfs	86	85	85	— 1

Total sales $5,507,000

STATE BONDS.

111¾	110¾	1	N Y 4½s, 1963, reg	111¾	111¾	111¾	..
102¾	100¾	2	Do 4s, 1962	102¾	101¾	101¾	..
111¾	110¾	3	Do 4½s, 1960	111	113	111	..

Total sales $6,000

NEW YORK CITY BONDS.

101	98¾	5	4½s, 1960	99¾	99¾	99¾	..
107¾	101¾	3	4½s, Nov, 1957	103¾	103¾	103¾	..
107¾	101¾	4	4½s, May, 1957	104	104	104	..

Total sales $12,000

CORPORATION ISSUES

80¾	80	3	ADAMS EXP 4s, 1948	80	80	80	..
86¼	86¼	15	Ajax Rubber 8s, 1936	87¾	86¼	86¼	— 1¾
8	5	21	Alaska G M Co, A, 1925	6	6	6	..
6¼	5	21	Do A, 1926	6	6	6	+ ¼
82¾	73	10	Albany & Susq 3½s, 1946	79	78	78	..
90	82	3	Allegheny Valley 4s, 1942	88½	88½	88½	..
104¾	98	47	Am Agr Chem 7½s, '41	97¾	97	97¾	+ ¼
101¾	100	5	Am Beet Sug 6s, 1925	100	100	100	..
97¾	91¾	9	Am Chain s f 6s, 1933	95¾	95¾	95¾	..
81¾	80	36	Am Cotton Oil 5s, 1931	81¾	80	81¼	+ ¼
90¾	85	3	Am Republics 6s, 1937	88¾	88	88¾	+ ¼
93¾	89¾	43	Am Sm & Ref 5s, 1947	91¾	91¾	91¾	..
106¾	99¾	10	Do 6s, 1947	103¾	103¾	103¾	— ¼
104	99¾	63	Am Sugar Ref 6s, 1937, temp ctfs	101	100¾	101¾	+ ¼
93¾	91	97	Am T & T col 4s, 1929	92¾	92¾	92¾	+ ¼
104¾	112¾	22	Am Tob 7s, 1951	112¾	112¾	112¾	+ ¼
105	100	5	Do cons 4½s, 1951	104¾	104¾	104¾	— ¼
99¾	95	72	Do col 5s, 1946	96	97¼	96	+ ¼
99¾	96	11	Do cons 6s, 1938	97¾	97¾	97¾	+ ¼
98¾	91	41	Am Writing Paper 6s, '39	92¾	92¾	92¾	..
44¾	37¾	67	De ctfs	39	38	40	+ 2¼
96¾	90¾	130	Anaconda Copper 5s, '53	90¾	90¾	90¾	— ¼
104¾	99¾	535	Do cv deb 7s, 1929	98¾	97¾	98¾	+ ¼
85¾	84¾	2	Ann Arbor 4s, 1995	84	84	84	..
89	82	25	Armour & Co 6½s, 1939	84¾	83¾	84	..
86¾	87	344	Armour & Co of Del 5½s, 1943, ctfs	87¾	87	88	— ¼
93¾	84¾	181	Associated Oil 6s, '45, ctfs	88¾	87	88	— ¼
91¼	84¾	146	At T & F gen 4s, 1995	87	86¾	86¾	— ¼
93	87	11	Do gen 4s, 1995, reg	88	88	88	..
82½	75¾	1	Do adj 4s, 1995	79¾	79¾	79¾	..
82¾	75¾	60	Do adj 4s, 1995, stpd	80¾	80¾	80¾	..
93	77¾	11	Do 4s, 1929	87¾	87¾	87¾	..
70	65	32	Do Cal & Ariz 4½s, 1962	69¾	69¾	69¾	..
100	93	7	All & Birm 4s, 1952	70	69¾	69¾	..
99	93¾	39	All & Char A L 5s, R, '44	96¾	97¾	97¾	+ ¼
106¼	103	22	All Coast Line 1st 4s, '52	97¾	97¾	97¾	..
85	77	39	Do L & N col 4s, '52	82	82	82	..
40¾	18¼	32	All Fruit 7s, 1934	23	23	23	— ¼
89¾	81¾	102	Do 7s, 1934, ctfs	86	86	86	— ¼
82¾	74¾	22	Do 7s, 1934, ctfs, stpd	80¾	80¾	80¾	— ¼
90¾	81	16	All Refining, deb 8s, 1937	87¾	87¾	87¾	..
98½	93¼	1	Austin & N W 5s, '41	96¾	96¾	96¾	+ ¼
102	100	4	BALD LOCO 5s, 1940	101¼	100¾	100¾	— 1
97	93¾	89	Balt & Ohio prior lien 4s, 1925	97	96¾	96¾	— ¼
101¾	96¾	67	Do 4s, 1929	101	100¾	100¾	— ¼
82¾	74¾	93	Do gold 4s, 1948	83	81¾	81¾	— ¼
84¾	77	109	Do cv 4½s, 1933	82¾	82	82	— ¼
85	79¾	48	Do 1st 5s, 1950	83	83	83	— ¼
76¾	70¾	28	Do P L E & W Va 4s, '41	73¾	73¾	73¾	— ¼
76¾	70¾	2	Do 4s, 1948	73¾	73¾	73¾	— ¼
87¾	81¾	139	Do P W & W 4s, 1946	84¾	84¾	84¾	— ¼
94¾	87¾	41	Do Tol & Ch Div 4s, 1941	91	91	91	— ¼
81¾	75¾	31	Do W Va & Pitts 4s, 1950	78¾	78¾	78¾	— ¼
97¾	90¾	1	Bangkok & Dut 5s, 1947, ctfs	92¾	92¾	92¾	..
100¾	96	25	Barcelona Trac L & P 7s, 1952	96¾	96¾	96¾	— ¼
100¾	98	41	Bell Tel of Pa 7s, 1945	98	98	98	— ¼
97¾	90¾	1	Beth Steel 7s, 1942	93	93	93	..
100	97¾	9	Do 1st 5s, 1926	98¾	98¾	98¾	..
99¾	96	24	Do cons mtge 5s, 1936	98¾	98¾	98¾	+ ¼
100¾	96	85	Do s f 6s, 1948	97¾	97	97¾	..
94	86¾	27	Do 5s, 1943	89¾	89¾	89¾	..
101	97¾	5	Brem Cotton Co 8s, 1931	100¾	100¾	100¾	..
97¾	91¾	32	Brier Hill Steel 5½s, 1942	93¾	93¾	93¾	..
99	94¾	11	Brklyn Edison gen 5s, '49	98¾	98¾	98¾	..
106	100¾	7	Do 6s, 1930	102¾	102¾	102¾	..
108¾	107

Stocks and Bonds

Traded in the following markets:

CHICAGO
KANSAS CITY
MINNEAPOLIS
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Members N. Y. Stock Exchange
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Phone 0456 Rector

WE HAVE ORDERS IN

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Niles Bement Pond
Electric Bond & Share Pfd.
H. K. Mulford Co.
Republic Ry. & Light Pfd.
Eastern Steel 1st Pfd.
Archer Dan. Midland Pfd.
H. H. Franklin Mfg. Com. & Pf.
Indian Refining Pfd.
Curtis Aeroplane Pfd.

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Gwynne Bros.
61 Broadway, N. Y. Tel. Whitehall 3750
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Phones 4000 to 4010 John. 64 Wall St., N. Y.

Continental Gas & Electric 5s, 1927
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Business Outlook for 1924

The 1924 Annalist Annual, out January 7, will be a notable number.

It will display to its readers the prospective panorama of the coming year in commerce, business and finance according to the views of leaders in the various spheres of activity.

Herbert C. Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, deals in his masterly way with the trade of the United States.

James John Davis, Secretary of Labor, treats of the interrelated matters of employment and immigration.

On money and finance banking leaders give their views on the outlook in their field.

There will be authoritative articles of technical nature on Money, Foreign Exchange, Stocks, Bonds, specially prepared by financial experts.

The Annalist Quarterly Index of Security Offerings will be included in The Annual Review.

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Among the notable articles in the current number of The Annalist, out today, are: Mortgages As Investments. Steel Consumption of the United States. Our Foreign Trade With the British Empire, and Should Shipping Board Corporations Spend Without Legal Accountability?

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SOUTHERN VIEW OF COTTON AT YEAR-END

Statistical Position Starts Talk of Possible Early Rise to 40 Cents.

EXPORTS NOT DECREASING

Movement of Prices Last Week Not Important—Speculative Interest Diverted by Holidays.

Special to The New York Times.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 30.—Trading in cotton was largely of a holiday character last week, although the American exchanges were closed but a single day. The outside speculative public naturally took little interest in the market, while regular traders were to a large extent content to look on and await developments. At the same time, the final wind-up of the "December deal" on Monday and the beginning of the liquidation of January commitments on Wednesday were developments sufficiently sensational to attract wide attention and lead to business that might have been lacking under other circumstances.

The final wind-up of December, with tenders in that month aggregating altogether more than 125,000 bales in the Northern market, was a sufficiently notable achievement, especially as it was accomplished without any important break in the price of December futures. The enormous volume of notices circulated on Wednesday in the way of tenders on January contracts indicated plainly that practically all the cotton taken up on Decembers was retendered on January commitments.

But if accounts in circulation here are to be believed, the interests issuing the January notices in the New York market had some difficulty in getting the cotton back; in fact, it has been claimed that one large firm that issued notices for as much as 50,000 bales did not succeed in getting back more than a small fraction of the total tendered.

Whether a part of the New York certificated stock will be shipped out, or retained and hedged by transfers to later months, remains to be seen. But the fact that the enormous volume of notices issued on the first-of-January notice day, were so readily stopped argues the great strength of the spot market. Its effect was to promptly advance the price of all contract months later than January, while the spot demand in all the Southern markets developed a notable increase and prices paid indicated the highest basis of the season. Locally there has been a material increase in the demand for spots, which promptly advanced to 26 cents a pound for middling, thus again reaching the record price of the season.

While the number of January notices issued in the New York market reached practically record proportions, very few notices against January contracts were issued in the local market, owing to the fact that spot prices are at a level which would make tenders on contracts here unprofitable. That there should have been some reaction in the final trading of the week was natural enough, as traders were disposed to take profits and even up commitments in advance of the New Year holiday. Such liquidation has proceeded in an orderly manner, however, and the net reaction in prices has not been very great.

The outstanding features of the week, aside from the December and January deals, was the urgent demand for spots in the interior as well as at ports, and the continued liberal exports. According to Secretary Hester the exports for the season to date now exceed last season by 401,390 bales. Stocks on shipboard at Southern ports being now larger than a year ago, there is reason to expect that clearances will continue liberal in the near future, and reports are current that freight engagements point to rather liberal exports during January.

Despite the reports of curtailment by American mills, the statistical position looks so strong in regard to supplies for the rest of the season, that many traders are confidently predicting 40 cents for cotton in the not distant future. There is also a disposition to turn attention to the new crop positions, particularly October. These are selling at such heavy discounts compared with old crop months that many people believe that after the turn of the year there will be more demand for the new crop positions and that the present discounts will be materially narrowed.

MORE STEEL STOCKHOLDERS

United States Common is Now Held by 99,779 Individuals.

The United States Steel Corporation reports a total of 99,779 holders of its common stock on the books of the corporation. This record was taken in connection with mailing the December dividend checks. The total represents an increase of 2,704 compared with last September, when 97,075 names appeared on the books. Compared with a year ago there has been an increase of almost 6,000 names.

The company also reports a total of 79,311 holders of preferred stock on its books, according to the record taken in connection with the mailing of the November dividend checks on this issue. This is an increase of 206 names over the total reported last August.

SEES FARMERS RECOVERING

Secretary Wallace Says Prospects for 1924 Are Bright.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Secretary Wallace, in a review of the year from an agricultural standpoint, declared in a statement tonight that conditions augured well for continued improvement in the material prosperity of the American farmer.

"The industry, courage and faith evidenced by the farmers of the nation during the last three years are slowly bringing their reward," said Secretary Wallace. "Improvement in agricultural conditions continues—not as rapidly as desired or needed, nor as rapidly as deserved, but nevertheless it continues. The promise of the year has been fulfilled.

"So we come to the end of the third year of post-war depression with a feeling of greater confidence born of better times already realized, and with justified hope of still further improvement in 1924.

"There are discouraging conditions still to be overcome. There is the burden of debt. There are heavy taxes to be met. The cost of production and of living must be reduced. There is much that the farmers buy remains high. Farmers in the Spring wheat territory especially are in sore straits from conditions largely beyond their control.

"Experience gained during these years of depression, however, together with progress already made, warrant a hopeful attitude for the coming year. Gradually crop acreage is being better adjusted. The domestic market continues strong. The children keep coming, and that means a steadily increasing number of mouths to be fed. Those who stay by the farm and did good farming can look forward to better times as a reward for their years of toil and hardship. Those whose businesses depend directly upon farm purchases can find decided encouragement in the growing gross income of the farmer, for he will buy as his income expands.

"The year 1924 comes with the promise of continued improvement in the material prosperity of the farmer, and the farmer continues to be the material and spiritual backbone of the nation."

Hupp Motor Profits.

The Hupp Motor Car Company, for the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1923, reports net profits of $1,940,011. The balance sheet on that date shows a profit and loss surplus of $9,045,432. The company announced that all of the outstanding preferred stock has been called for redemption on April 1, 1924, at $120 a share and accrued dividends. On and after that date dividends will cease and stockholders' rights on this issue will end.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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1923 High	1923 Low	Sales.	Stock and Dividend Rate.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Chge.
77½	50	1,800	Union Bag & Pa (6)	64½	62¾	62¾	+ 1½
1	½	600	Union Oil	¾	¾	¾	
144⅞	124½	19,100	Union Pacific (10)	128½	125⅝	126¾	+ 2½
76½	70½	1,800	Do pf (4)	71¾	70¾	71	— ¼
99⅜	81	100	Union Tank Car (5)	94⅝	94⅝	94⅝	+ 1½
39¼	20	2,000	United Alloy Steel (3)	29	28¾	28¾	+ ¼
230	100	1,900	United Cig Stores (12)	210	204	210	+ 5
85¾	74¾	300	United Drug (6)	80	79	80	
187⅝	153½	1,300	United Fruit (110)	180	177½	180	— ¾
19⅛	14	400	United Paperboard	19½	19½	19½	+ ½
11⅜	9⅞	1,900	United Ry Investment	11⅛	9¾	10¾	+ ½
82	58	4,600	Do pf	80	35¾	88	+ 1
84½	2¼	600	United Retail Stores	2⅝	2¼	2⅜	+ ⅛
80¾	20	52,800	U S Cl Pipe & F (2)	68¾	67⅝	67⅝	+ 1⅛
97	64	1,900	Do pf (7½)	95	94	94	+ 2½
6¾	2¼	7,100	U S Food Products	5½	5	5⅛	+ ⅛
25	13¾	500	U S Hoff Machinery	18½	17¾	17¾	— ¾
73¾	40	108,900	U S Indus Alcohol	71½	65	71¾	+ 6½
106	98¼	11,500	U S Realty & Imp (3)	101¾	98¾	101¾	+ 2½
108½	104	1,000	Do pf (7)	104	100¾	104	+ 3½
64¾	30⅝	14,500	U S Rubber	33½	32¾	37½	+ 3½
106	76¾	2,100	Do pf (8)	85½	82¾	85½	+ 1½
43¾	18	7,000	U S Smelt, Ref & M	39¾	38¾	39¾	+ ¾
46½	38¾	1,000	Do pf (8½)	39½	39¼	39½	
109¾	85¼	235,100	U S Steel (10%)	90¾	94¾	99	+ 3¾
123¼	116½	1,500	Do pf (7)	119⅝	119¼	119⅝	
76¾	65¼	2,900	Utah Copper (4)	65	64¾	64¾	+ 1
24½	14	2,200	Utah Securities	17½	16¾	16¾	— ¾
44⅝	24⅜	15,100	VANADIUM CORP	31⅝	29⅝	30½	+ ½
34	27	1,600	Van Raalte	30	27¾	27¾	— 2
88	76¾	1,200	Do pf (7)	85½	78¾	78¾	— 6
24	9	2,700	Va-Caro Chemical	20	19	19	— ½
17	5¼	900	Do Class B	14	13	13	— ½
89	17	7,875	Do pf	31⅝	29¾	31¼	+ 1½
68	52	1,400	Va Iron, Coal & C (3½)	53	53	53	— ½
22	12	4,200	Vivaudou (3)	15	13¾	14¾	+ 1½
12	7¾	3,900	WABASH	11	10⅝	10⅝	— ¼
36½	25¾	17,800	Do pf A	34⅞	33⅝	34½	+ 1
23¾	16¾	300	Do pf B	22¾	22	22	
20	14¾	2,800	Waldorf System (1¾)	15⅜	15	15	
15⅝	12¾	8,700	Weber & Heilbroner (1)	15⅜	15	15⅜	+ ⅛
54	35	300	Wells Fargo (2½)	35½	35	35¼	+ ¼
82⅜	35¼	300	West Penn Co (3)	47	47	47	
90¾	84	100	Do pf (7)	89½	89½	89½	
15	8	2,400	Western Maryland	13¾	13¾	13¾	— ¼
20¾	14	1,500	Western Pacific	16	15¾	16¼	+ ¼
20¾	12	4,900	Western Pacific	16	14	14¾	
68¾	52	400	Do pf (5)	59	58½	58¾	+ ¼
118¾	101¼	1,200	Western Union Tel (7)	103	107	107	+ 1½
130	78	500	Westinghouse Air B (4)	85	84½	84½	— ½
67½	52½	5,100	Westinghouse E & M (4)	62	60¾	62	+ 1½
78	70	100	Do 1st pf (4)	73¾	73¾	73¾	+ 1¾
10⅝	6	5,700	Wheeling & Lake Erie	8	6¾	7¾	+ ¾
19	10	1,000	Do pf	13	13	13	
30⅜	3	3,000	White Eagle Oil (12½)	27	25¾	27	+ 1½
60⅞	45	2,800	White Motors (4)	56½	55¼	55¼	— ¾
⅝	⅛	5,300	White Oil, ex rights	¼	¼	¼	
1	⅜	8,900	Do ctfs, ex rights	¼	¼	¼	
42¾	19	7,400	Wilson & Co	27¾	24	25¾	+ ¾
87	63	800	Do pf (7)	80	67	69	— 4
11¾	6	34,800	Willys-Overland	10⅜	9¾	10¾	+ ¾
82	42¾	16,400	Do pf	75½	70	74½	+ 3½
37¾	25	1,500	Wisconsin Central	27¾	25	27¾	+ 2¾
230	199½	2,600	Woolworth (F W) (8)	230	230	235	+ 5
40½	19¾	1,400	Worthington Pump	28	24¾	24¾	— ¾
85¾	65	240	Do pf A (7)	80	80	80	— 2
71¾	60	100	Do pf B (6)	60	60	60	
13¾	8¼	500	Wright Aeronautical (1)	13¾	13	13¾	
40¾	37⅞	4,700	Wrigley (Wm) Jr (3)	40	38⅝	39¼	+ ¼
80	62	300	Youngstown S & T (5)	69	68	68	— ¼

RIGHTS

2⅜	1¼	62,800	Consolidated Gas	2¼	2	2	
1⅞	1½	9,600	Hupp Motor	1¾	1⅝	1⅝	
⅞	¾	28,975	New York Central	¾	¾	¾	
2⅜	3	67,200	Do Reading	2⅜	2⅛	2⅛	— ⅛

Dividend rates as given in the above table are the annual cash payments based on the latest quarterly or half yearly declarations. Unless otherwise noted, extra or special dividends are not included. xEx dividend. †Partly extra. ‡Payable in preferred stock.

CURB MARKET OF THE WEEK

WEEK ENDED SATURDAY, DEC. 29, 1923.

Trading by Days

	Industrials	Oils	Mining	Bonds	Foreign
Monday	83,946	136,345	278,000	$288,000	$68,000
Tuesday	Holiday				
Wednesday	63,468	191,880	231,400	304,000	199,000
Thursday	48,200	161,625	249,700	448,000	257,000
Friday	56,450	161,970	196,750	440,000	257,000
Saturday	50,515	113,130	126,510	384,000	111,000
Total	306,659	805,050	1,181,360	$1,868,000	$950,000

Cities Service early $35,000.

INDUSTRIALS.

Range, 1923 High	Low	Sales		High	Low	Last	Net Chge.
.53	.05	12,000	ACME PACKING	.05	.05	.05	+ .01
3	1	600	Allied Packers, new	1¾	1¼	1¾	— ¼
19½	17	400	Amal Leather	17½	17	17	
1	½	300	Do pf	1	½	½	
25⅞	13½	2,800	Am Hawaiian S S	14⅞	13⅝	14⅝	+ 1½
47½	31	100	Am G & Elec, new	43½	43½	43½	+ 1½
48¾	40	100	Do pf	43	43	43	
28	18¾	200	Am Multigraph	20	20	20	+ 1
32	20	300	Am Multigraph	21	21	21	
140	109	40	Am Li & Tr	117¾	117	117	— 1½
49¾	19¾	1,000	Archer Dan Midland Co.	27	25	27	+ 2
84	78¼	600	Armour Co of Ill pf	83	79	83	+ 3½
2¼	1	1,200	Atlantic Fruit, w i	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜	— ⅛
2	1	100	Armour Leather	1	1	1	
12	9¼	1,400	BLYN SHOES, INC	10¾	9¾	10¾	
134¾	130	25	Borden Co	131¾	131¾	131¾	
10¾	10	100	Bridgeport Mach	10¾	10¾	10¾	
12	9¼	200	Brit Am Tob Co, comp	11⅞	11½	11⅝	— ⅛
11¾	7⅞	100	Brooklyn City R R	10¾	10¾	10¾	+ ¾
106⅝	105¾	200	CAMPBELL SOUP pf	106	106	106	+ ¼
3	.75	300	Car Light & Power	2¾	2¾	2¾	— ¼
1⅛	¼	10,800	Candy Prod Corp, w i	1⅛	¼	¼	
26¾	24	2,000	Cent G & Elec	25¾	25¾	25¾	— ¼
2	1	28	Cent Aguirre Sugar	2	2	2	
2	⅛	600	Cent Teresa Sugar	⅛	⅛	⅛	+ ⅛
4¼	1	300	Do pf	1	1	1	+ ⅛
62½	23¾	3,200	Chesebrough Mfg Co A	41	39¾	40¾	— ¼
44¾	39¾	400	Chicago Nipple, A	41⅜	40¾	40¾	— ¼
19⅜	17	600	Do ctfs, E new	18¾	18¾	18¾	— ¼
58	37	500	Childs Co, new, w i	51	47	47	— 4
24⅜	19¾	600	Cleveland Motors	21⅜	21⅜	21⅜	— ¼
12¾	11	1,600	Colorado Power	11¾	11¾	11¾	+ ¼
11¾	11	1,500	Corn Prod, new, w i	11¾	11	11¾	+ ¼
61⅜	60¾	600	Con Gas, new, w i	61⅜	60¾	61¼	+ ⅛
28⅜	20	700	Cuba Co	26⅜	26	26⅜	+ ⅛
11	9	700	Cuban Aero ctfs of dep	9	9	9	
41	30¾	300	Do pf	41	40	40	— 1
13⅝	7⅛	2,900	DUBILIER COND & R	11⅜	10¾	11⅜	— ⅛
26¾	17	1,900	Dunhill Inter	23¾	23¾	23¾	— ¼
24	20½	9,800	Durant Motor of Del	20¾	20¾	20¾	— ¼
25¼	14	2,500	Durant Motor of Ind	9	7¾	8¾	+ ⅛
18	8	400	EASTERN STEEL, new	8	8	8	
11	9⅜	100	Electric Steel & Share	9¾	9¾	9¾	— ¼
460	362	10	Ford Motor of Canada, class A	415	415	415	+15
		200	Film Ins M Co	6	6	6	
1⅜	65	200	GARLAND S S	65	65	65	— 1
262	230	400	Gil Safety Razor	257	257	257	— 1
84¾	65¾	1,400	Gillette Safety Razor	77¾	75¼	77¾	+ 2¾
18¾	14	2,100	Graham-Paige Motor	14¾	14¾	14¾	— ¼
90	75¼	100	Gt Atl & Pacific pf	81	81	81	
16¾	9¾	1,200	Goodyear Tire & Rub	9	9¾	9¾	
13¾	9¾	1,200	Gleasonite Products	12¾	12¾	13¾	
22	18	4,800	Gold Dust, w i	20	20	20	+ 1¼
110	106	40	Great Atl & Pacific pf	110	106	106	— 4
1	.50	2,100	HEYDEN CHEMICAL	1¼	1¼	1¼	— ⅛
1¾	1	1,600	Hudson & Manhat R	12	13	13	
24½	12¼	1,900	Hudson Co pf	22¾	22¾	23¾	+ ¾
16	15¼	800	Hupp Mot Car new w i	15¾	15¾	15¾	+ ¼
12½	9¾	2,500	INT CON INDUST	12½	12¼	12¾	+ ¼
6¾	5	3,400	Intercon Rubber	5¾	5¾	5¾	+ ¼
3¾	.75	700	KELSEY MOTOR CO	.75	.75	.75	— .05
47⅞	33¾	700	Kresge Dept Stores	45⅝	45¼	43¾	— 2¼
5¾	1¼	300	LAKE TOR BOAT	5	5	5	
3	3¼	100	Do pf	3¾	3¾	3¾	
4	1	700	Leader Prod Co	1¾	1¾	1¾	
90	75¼	100	Lehigh Pwr Sec	75¾	75¾	75¾	+ ¾
30¼	17¾	900	Lehigh Pwr Sec	30¼	27¾	30	+ 4¼
1	.50	100	Libby McN & L	1	1	1	
5¾	4	1,100	Do new	5	5¼	5	— ¼
20	3	1,200	Lit Motors	3	3	3	— ¼
		500	Lupton Fdg Co A	7¾	7¾	7¾	+ ¼
3	3	100	MADISON TIRE	3	3	3	
12⅞	4¾	5,800	Mesaba Iron	9	7¾	8¾	+ ¼
18¾	14	3,100	Mercurbank, Vienna Austrittis, Am sh. w i	15¼	14¼	14½	— ¼
21	11¾	1,500	Midvale Co	15	15	15	
45	19½	1,400	Motor Prod, new, w i	45	35	38	+ 3¼
84	31	3,800	NATL DAIRY PR w i	32¾	33¼	33¼	— ¾
8¾	1¼	1,700	Natl Leather	2¾	2¾	2¾	
112	107½	225	N Y Telephone pf	110¼	110	110¼	+ ¼
		1,000	Nineteenth Amend Fund	.25	.25	.25	
24⅜	14	5,700	PARK & TILFORD	25¾	27¾	27¾	— 2¾
30	25¾	3,100	Peerless Truck M	28	27¾	27¾	— 1¾
11⅞	9	400	Pyrene Mfg	11¾	11	11¾	— ⅛
5¾	2¾	26,800	RADIO CORP	4¾	4	4¾	+ ¼
47	29	8,900	Do pf	44	44	44	— 1
24¾	14¾	16,900	Reading Coal rights w i	21¾	20¾	21¾	+ ¾
48¾	17	3,100	Do 1st pf	47	44¾	44¾	— 2¼
30	15	100	Republic Ry	30	30	30	
3	.75	300	Repetti Candy	1¼	.85	.85	— .27
20¾	13½	1,600	Rex Motors	17¾	17¾	17¾	+ ¾
1	.50	100	Roamer Motor Car Co	.50	.50	.50	
54⅜	46¼	400	Rosenbaum Grain pf	49¾	49¼	49¼	— ¼
1	.50	2,400	SAGUENAY P & P	.60	.60	.60	
1	.50	900	Do pf	1	1	1	
28¾	18	900	Shelton Looms	22	20	22	+ 2
128	113¾	1,600	Singer Mfg Co	127	125½	127	+ 2
1.50	.90	61,700	Sinnott Coal & Iron	.15	.12	.17	+ .02
3¼	2¼	400	Standard Motors	3¾	3¾	3¾	
24¾	5	8,700	Stutz Motor Car	5¾	5¾	5¾	
109	98	180	Swift & Co	104	101	101	— 3
21¼	20¼	1,000	Swift Int	20¼	19½	19⅝	— ¾
10	12	200	TENN ELEC PWR CO	15	15¾	16	— ¼
91	82	100	Timken Detroit Axle	83	82	82	— ¾
6¾	3	7,700	Tobacco Exp	4	3¾	4	+ ¼
60	44	1,700	Todd Shipyards	46½	44¾	44¾	— ¾
61¾	24	3,600	UN BAKERIES CORP	55	48	53¾	+ 2¾
8	4¾	10,900	Un Profit Sharing, new	5	5	5	— ⅛
8	5	1,100	United Cigar Stands	5¾	5	5	
20⅜	18	1,100	U S Cities A	20	19¾	19¾	— ¼
20¾	11½	900	Universal Pipe & Rad	18	17¾	18	
73	55	2,800	Do pf, w i	69	67¾	68	+ 2¾
43	34	1,500	U S Distrib Corp	39¾	38	38¾	+ ¾
11¾	7⅞	3,700	U S Light & Heat	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝	+ .04
5½	2¾	200	Do pf	1¾	1¾	1¾	— ¼
1¾	.50	500	U S Met Cap & S Co	.50	.50	.50	
22¾	8½	500	WARING HAT MANF CORP	9	8¾	8¾	— 1
7⅞	.50	6,700	Wayne Coal	.85	.80	.83	— .10
		400	Wm Davies A	10½	10½	10½	
11¾	8¼	900	Willys Corp 1st pf	10	8	8	— 1¼
9¼	5½	200	Do ctfs of dep	8¾	7¾	8¾	— ¼
82	36½	900	YEL TAXI CP, N Y rts	37¾	36¼	37	— ¼

STANDARD OIL SUBSIDIARIES

19¾	12¾	12,500	ANGLO-AMERICAN	15⅝	15¼	15⅝	+ 1¼
3¾	2¼	5,200	Atlantic Lobos	2¾	2¾	2¾	— ⅛
5¾	5	6,200	Do pf	10	9	9	
150	108	20	BORNE-SCRYM CO	150	150	150	
94	60	800	Buckeye Pipe Line	72	70	72	+ 2
160	32¼	1,700	CONTINENTAL	42¾	42	42¾	+ ¼
102	85	70	Cumberland Pipe Line	107	107	107	+ ¼
257	207	60	Eisenbrown Mfg Co	225	225	225	
17¾	16	200	Crescent Pipe Line	17	15	17	
117	87	160	EUREKA PIPE LINE, 100	98	100	100	+ 4
78	37¼	835	GALENA SIGNAL OIL	65	65¼	65¼	— 2¼
41¾	28	14,600	HUMBLE	40¾	36¼	40¾	+ 3¾
171	115	70	ILLINOIS PIPE LINE	140	140		
123	92	6,180	Imp Oil (Can) coup	116	113	114	— 2¼
103	78	206	Indiana Pipe Line	87	86	87	— 1
24¾	15¾	80,200	International Petroleum	23¼	19¾	21¼	+ 1¾
107	100	4,180	MAGNOLIA PET	103	143	103	+14½
133	70	1,000	NEW YORK TRANSIT	77	77	77	— 3
23¾	19½	200	National Transit	21¾	20¾	21¾	— ¾
104¼	102	100	Northern Pipe Line	84	90	90	— 4
93¾	48¾	6,000	OHIO OIL	71¾	68	70¾	+ 2¾
42¾	19¼	7,700	PENN-MEX FUEL	45¾	37	43½	+ 3¾
106	98	1,285	Prairie Pipe Line	106	106	106	+ 1
170	152	6,110	Prairie Oil & Gas	154	152	153	+ 1
174	161	70	SOLAR REF	172	170	170	— 1
106	100	1,955	South Pa Pipe Line	104	102	102	— 2
116	107	225	Southern Pipe Line	109¾	109¾	109¾	— ¼
85¼	68½	15	Southwest Pa Pipe Line	81	81	81	
60¾	40¼	95,400	Standard Oil Co of Ind	67	63¾	66¾	+ 2¾
57¾	36¼	13,900	Standard Oil of Kansas	47	46	46	— ¾
123	85¼	5,000	Standard Oil of Ky	109¾	105	109	+ 3¾
97¼	66¾	1,100	Standard Oil of Neb	235	230	230	— 4
49¾	35¼	41,800	Standard Oil of N Y	47¾	44¾	47¾	+ 2¾
217	170	245	Standard Oil of Ohio	210	205	205	— 2
39	34	165	Swan & Finch	38	37	37	— 1
58¼	25½	28,700	VACUUM OIL	53¾	54¾	57¾	+ 3

MISCELLANEOUS OILS

.55	.04	2,000	ALLEN	.04	.04	.04	
1	.05	2,000	Allied	.05	.05	.05	— .01
10	4¾	7,700	Arkansas Natural Gas	5¾	4¾	4¾	+ ¼
1		1,000	Atlantic Gulf	1	1	1	
1¼	.85	2,700	BOSTON-WYOMING	1	1	1	+ .15
37	23¾	100	British-Am	24½	24½	24½	
7¾	2¼	11,700	CARIB SYNDICATE	6¾	5	5⅝	— ¼
195	126	1,700	Cities Service	142¾	141	142	— ¾
10	6¾	4,000	Do pf	8¾	8¾	8¾	
102	74	$5,000	Do com scrip	77	77	77	— 1
19¼	12¾	1,700	Do bankers' shares	15	14¾	15	+ ¾
78	70	$3,000	Do C scrip	72	72	72	
6¾	5¾	200	Do pf E	6¼	6¼	6¼	
10	10	1,000	Columbian Syndicate	25	.25	.25	
7¼	1⅞	15,600	Creole Syndicate	5¾	5¾	5¾	— ⅛
18¾	5	1,900	DERBY OIL & REF	7¾	7¼	7¾	+ ¾
40¾	22	2,400	Do pf	34½	30¾	34½	+ 3¼
.25	.03	40,000	ENGINEERS PET	.07	.05	.06	
		700	Ertle	.01	.01	.01	
1	.10	7,600	FEDERAL	.87	.50	.50	— .13
38	29¾	900	GEN PET CORP	33	27	27	— 4
3	2¾	9,500	Granada	.50	.23	.50	+ .18
2¾	2	6,000	Glen Rock Oil	.34	.31	.31	— .02
69¾	46¾	14,500	Gulf Oil of Pa	61¾	59¼	60	— 1¼
8¾	7	9,800	Gulf States Oil & Ref	7¾	7	7	— ¾
.18	.03	16,000	HUDS

OUTPUT AND SAVINGS INCREASED IN 1923

Federal Reserve Board Reviews a Year of Sound Business, Promising Well for 1924.

UNEMPLOYMENT IS SMALL

Industry Prospers and Agriculture Also, Aside From the Wheat and Live Stock Sections.

PRICES REACH STABILITY

Levels Are Better Than Any Year Since 1919—Credit Demands Conservative.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The year 1923 was one of conservative progress throughout the nation, it is shown in the annual review of economic conditions issued by the Federal Reserve Board tonight.

Production was greater, expenditures were greater and the savings of the people were greater than in 1922, the review shows, and the nation's financial and industrial position at the beginning of the new year is said to be favorable for a continuation of prosperity.

The board calls attention to the fact that during 1923 financial and industrial operations, taken as a whole, established new records and that this was accomplished without evidence of severe credit strain, widespread speculative activities or dangerous price inflation. Stress is placed upon the continuation of an increased consuming power, due to full employment at high wages, and an improvement in the position of the agriculturists, factors which promise to remain during 1924.

The unparalleled industrial and trade activity of 1923, the board says, has been somewhat obscured by the recession from the unusually high levels reached during the first quarter. It mentions also the conservative attitude which was taken by business, following the Spring boom, an attitude which, in the opinion of the board, "moderated both the upward and the downward movements and exercised a stabilizing influence upon trade and industry."

A considerable portion of the review is devoted to the new open market policy adopted by the board, the operation of which, the review says, was helpful to a sound credit condition and established, among other things, that the total volume of Reserve Bank credit outstanding was not in excess of requirements.

The review says that the "year as a whole was characterized by a large industrial output, practically full employment, a sustained consumers' demand for goods and a level of prices more stable than in any year since 1915."

The text of the review is as follows:

The Year 1923.

"In the business and banking developments of the year 1923 the outstanding fact has been the high level of industrial and agricultural output and the demand for bank credit to finance a volume of production and trade never previously equaled. Throughout the year the buying power of consumers, arising out of practically full industrial employment and increased income of farmers, has been reflected in a growth of retail trade and in a more active distribution of merchandise than in any other year.

"The increase in the demand for commercial credit, which began in the middle of 1922, continued at a rapid rate during the early part of 1923, when there was an unusual degree of industrial activity, and was maintained at a high level with a further rise during the months of crop moving and Fall trade. Taking the year as a whole, the credit situation was characterized by a growth of credit to meet the renewed demand of active business.

Growth in Bank Credit.

"The extent of the demand for bank credit is shown by the fact that the total loans of all member banks increased about three-quarters of a billion during the first nine months of the year. This increase of about 4 per cent. followed upon an increase which took place during the last nine months of 1922 at an even more rapid rate. In that year the growth of loans was accompanied by an even more rapid growth in investments; in 1923, however, investments declined slightly, while loans continued to increase.

"The growth of member bank credit since the Spring of 1922 was at a rate more rapid than the previous loan liquidation, so that by the middle of 1923 total loans and investments were greater than in November, 1920. In 1922 the increase in loans was exceeded by the increase in demand deposits, while during the first nine months of 1923 there was a decrease in demand deposits. The chief source of increase in member bank funds during 1922 was the growth in time deposits, supplemented by additional borrowings at the Federal Reserve banks.

"The growth in member bank credit in the agricultural districts during the period was to a much larger extent than in the industrial districts financed by borrowings at the reserve banks. The discounts at the six Federal Reserve banks located in the agricultural districts (Richmond, Atlanta, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Kansas City and Dallas), increased by 60 per cent. between January and September, while discounts at all other reserve banks increased by 31 per cent.

"Loans increased more rapidly in industrial districts, and this increase was met in part through the sale of investments, while in the agricultural districts investments continued to increase. In the financial centres funds available for commercial loans were also increased through a reduction in loans secured by stocks and bonds. The volume of commercial borrowing at member banks in leading cities declined slightly after the first week in October, and the increased demand for credit was also reflected in somewhat easier money rates.

Constancy of Reserve Bank Credit.

"At the Federal Reserve Banks discounts increased rapidly during the year, but there was a corresponding decline in open-market holdings, with the result that total earning assets remained relatively stable. In fact, as shown by chart, relative stability in the total volume, with changes in the composition, has been the principal characteristic of Federal Reserve Bank assets during the past two years. During this two years the country steadily used from $1,000,000,000 to $1,200,000,000 of reserve bank credit.

"In view of this relatively constant demand, the years 1922 and 1923 afford an opportunity of observing the effect of changes in the volume of open-market holdings upon the volume of member bank discounts. This changing relationship was commented on in the May and July issues of the Bulletin, and it now seems appropriate, at the close of the year, to make a more complete review of the relation between the two elements of Federal Reserve credit policy—earning operations and open-market operations.

"In the early part of 1922 the reserve banks purchased a considerable volume of short-term Government securities in the open market, partly for the purpose of obtaining earnings, which in 1920 they greatly reduced their holdings of these securities. In the absence of change in the aggregate demand for reserve bank credit, the increases in open-market purchases during 1922 were offset by a corresponding decline in the volume of discounts, and in 1923 the reduction in securities was accompanied by a substantially equivalent increase in discounts.

"In 1923 when the reserve banks bought securities the funds which were paid to the sellers found their way into member banks and permitted those banks to repay an equal amount of their rediscounts. The aggregate amount of reserve bank credit in use was not increased or even materially changed by a certain amount of "rediscounts" being merely thus converted into "securities." But the effect on the member banks, particularly in the large centres, was to add to their loanable funds or to enable them so reduce their indebtedness at the reserve banks. Under such conditions banks are likely to lend more fully to their customers and others.

"In 1923, on the other hand, when the reserve banks reduced their security holdings, they withdrew from the market an equivalent amount of funds. Following the withdrawal, the market borrowed substantially the same amount from the banks; and the banks, in turn, rediscounted substantially the same amount at the reserve banks, so that there was no material change in the total volume of Federal Reserve Bank credit in use.

Open-Market Policy.

"The volume of open-market holdings with which the reserve banks entered the year 1923 put them in possession of an admirable instrument for testing the degree of dependence of the credit structure upon Federal Reserve Bank accommodation and for placing the initiative upon member banks to determine the volume of reserve bank credit required to meet the needs of business and industry. For in rediscount operations the initiative is taken by the member banks, which borrow from the reserve banks at the established discount rate, while in open-market operations the initiative may be taken by the reserve banks, which buy or sell short-term securities in the market largely at their own volition and at market rates.

"The fact that the reduction of open-market holdings during 1923 was accompanied by an amount of borrowing by member banks approximately equal to the volume of funds withdrawn from the market by Federal Reserve Banks indicated that the total volume of reserve bank credit outstanding was not in excess of requirements.

"Federal Reserve credit policy during the year has been reflected chiefly in open-market operations, for the aggregate demand of the country for bank credit may be met either through rediscount or open-market operations, the Federal Reserve Board has thus two methods of extending credit, which should be brought into harmony. The board, therefore, in April, 1923, appointed a committee of officers of reserve banks to act in conjunction with the board in effecting a more complete coordination of all open-market operations of the reserve banks, both on their own account and in the execution of orders of Government securities corporations and agencies for which they act as fiscal agents of the Government.

"At the time the committee was appointed, the Federal Reserve Board adopted the principle:

> That the time, manner, character and volume of open market investments purchased by Federal Reserve Banks should have primary regard to the accommodation of commerce and business and to the effect of such purchases or sales on the general credit situation.

"As the act provides that discount rates shall be fixed 'with a view of accommodating commerce and business,' the adoption of this principle definitely established open-market policies on the same basis as discount policies. Open-market operations provide a cushion of credit between the direct borrowings of member banks and the money market and have facilitated the flow of credit into and out of the reserve banks in such a way as to exercise a steadying influence in the market and to reduce the tendency toward periodical tightness of money formerly felt in busy seasons. The reserve banks, on the other hand, may, at times, avoid the necessity for resorting to the major influence of a change in discount rates.

"Discount rate changes in 1923 were fewer than in any other year in the history of the system. Advances in discount rates from 4 per cent. to 4½ per cent. at the Federal Reserve Banks of Boston, New York and San Francisco were made early in the year, and since that time the level of rates has been the same at all the reserve banks. With the growth of discounts, however, which accompanied the reduction in the holdings of Government securities, the influence of existing discount rates was extended to a larger proportion of the total of Federal Reserve Bank credit in use, and the cost of obtaining reserve bank credit was borne more directly by member banks.

"Changes of discount rates made with a view of influencing the demand for rediscounts commonly affect from the Reserve Banks are better understood by the general public than open-market transactions. The experience of the past year, however, shows that changes in the volume of securities held by the reserve banks, when such changes are well timed, are capable of exerting an important and useful influence upon credit conditions. The weekly Statements of condition of the Federal Reserve Banks show the amount and composition of open-market holdings and make it possible for the public to follow these changes from week to week.

Open-Market Operations During 1923.

"In view of the importance during 1923 of the open-market operations, a detailed statement of the changes during the year in the composition of open-market holdings and of their relation to total earning assets is shown in the following table:

EARNING ASSETS OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS IN 1923.

	Total.	Discounts.	Open Market Holdings. Total.	U.S. Bd. and Ctf.	Treas. Ctf.	Acceptances.
Jan. 10	$1,230,000,000	$815,000,000	$176,000,000	$120,000,000	$56,000,000	
Feb. 14	1,191,000,000	853,000,000	161,000,000	120,000,000	41,000,000	
March 14	1,183,000,000	618,000,000	191,000,000	104,000,000	87,000,000	
April 11	1,135,000,000	623,000,000	182,000,000	97,000,000	85,000,000	
May 9	1,095,000,000	603,000,000	145,000,000	97,000,000	48,000,000	
June 13	1,067,000,000	570,000,000	177,000,000	129,000,000	48,000,000	
July 11	1,191,000,000	647,000,000	144,000,000	96,000,000	48,000,000	
Aug. 8	1,091,000,000	612,000,000	93,000,000	1,000,000	92,000,000	
Sept. 12	1,143,000,000	662,000,000	92,000,000	1,000,000	91,000,000	
Oct. 10	1,140,000,000	761,000,000	79,000,000	14,000,000	65,000,000	
Nov. 14	1,126,000,000	783,000,000	77,000,000	14,000,000	63,000,000	
Dec. 19	1,186,000,000	783,000,000	77,000,000	14,000,000	63,000,000	
Chg. per Jan. 10 and Dec. 19	—$44,000,000	+$50,000,000	—$99,000,000	—$92,000,000	—$12,000,000	+$19,000,000

"Of the two principal types of securities eligible for purchase by reserve banks—acceptances and United States securities—the volume of acceptances held by the reserve banks increased by about $100,000,000 during the year, while Government securities declined by several $400,000,000. The increase in Federal Reserve Bank holdings of acceptances since the middle of October reflected in part the seasonal growth in the volume of acceptances created in connection with the financing of crop movements. The reduction in holdings of United States securities, chiefly certificates of indebtedness, continued almost without interruption throughout the year, though during November and December there was a slight increase in the holdings of Treasury certificates. A comparison of the composition of earning assets shows that the reduction in open-market holdings between the middle of January and the middle of December was somewhat larger than the increase in discounts, with the result that for the period the total volume of reserve bank credit decreased slightly.

"Stability in the other principal items of the Reserve Bank statement has also characterized the year's operations. Gold reserves remained at about $3,000,000,000; the total of Federal Reserve note circulation, after a seasonal decline early in the year, continued at about $2,300,000,000; deposits, consisting largely of member banks' reserve balances, declined somewhat, reflecting the decrease in demand deposits with member banks; and the reserve ratio throughout the year remained near 76 per cent.

"This absence of change in the reserve bank statement during a year of growth in business activity and of increasing credit and currency demands is closely related, as was pointed out last month in this review, to the large made of imported gold. During 1923 the inflow of gold continued in somewhat larger volume than during the previous year, net imports of $367,000,000 for the first eleven months exceeding the total of $238,000,000 for 1922. This additional gold was not reflected in increased reserve bank credit outstanding because certain of these banks met the demand for currency by putting gold certificates into circulation. Thus the increase of the total money in circulation of $307,000,000 from December, 1922, to December, 1923, was largely in gold certificates rather than in Federal Reserve notes.

Course of Business.

"The trend of member bank credit during the year, rather than of Federal Reserve Bank credit, has reflected the course of business developments. The period of most rapid increase in the demand for credit was the first quarter of the year, when trade was heavy and the volume of production in basic industries was greater than at any previous time. Production reached its peak for the year in May, and after that time the growth in the demand for credit for commercial purposes slackened.

"The recession in industrial activity during the Summer months, however, was not accompanied by a decline in the distribution of merchandise, and in the Autumn the demand for additional credit, largely from agriculture, resulted in a further increase in commercial loans at member banks in leading cities. The slackening in trade activity during the latter part of the year arose more from the hesitancy of business concerns in placing forward orders than from a lessened demand on the part of ultimate consumers; and the price declines of the period were chiefly in materials used in industry rather than in consumers' goods.

"The year, as a whole, was characterized by a large industrial output, practically full employment, a sustained consumers' demand for goods and a level of prices more stable than in any year since 1915.

"A national income larger than in 1922, arising both out of increased earnings of factory workers and larger proceeds from the sale of farm products, furnished the buying power to absorb the year's increased output of goods. The income of industrial workers, as the result of a volume of employment approximately 12 per cent. larger than in 1922, and of wage advances, greatly exceeded that of the previous year.

"The total value of agricultural production was about $600,000,000 greater than in 1922. This increase in income was not accompanied by a corresponding rise in the cost of living, and the large growth in savings deposits indicates that there was a considerable margin of income above expenditures. This increased buying during the year is reflected in the volume of retail trade, which was larger for every month of 1923 than of 1922, for which monthly figures are now available, and the total of department store sales for the ten months exceeded those for the corresponding months of last year by 9 per cent. The distribution and marketing of goods were facilitated by the improvement of transportation facilities and the volume of railroad traffic was the largest on record.

"In agriculture the final estimates for the year indicate a total volume of production which is larger than the year before, and as the prevailing level of farm prices, and as the prevailing level of farm prices the total value of the year's crops is about 12 per cent above that of 1922. Furthermore, a larger proportion of farm income was available for the purchase of current expenditure items, and less of the income than in preceding years was used in the repayment of debts.

"Sales of mail order houses, representing chiefly purchases in rural communities, increased by 25 per cent. in 1923. The recovery in agriculture, however, is still incomplete, particularly in the wheat and live stock industries, and the unusual business growth of the year has been chiefly in industrial communities. Its is the demand on the part of industrial workers which, even with the decreased foreign demand, has resulted in a better market for agricultural products.

"In addition to the large purchases of goods for immediate consumption, there was also an exceptionally heavy demand for houses and automobiles, as indicated by the growth in the construction of buildings and the manufacture of motor cars. The automobile output of the year will total nearly 4,600,000, an increase of more than 30 per cent. over 1922.

"The building activity which had been at a high level during 1922, reached a maximum in the Spring of 1923 and then slackened somewhat, owing to the rapid advance in wages and in prices of materials. With the subsequent decline in construction costs activity was renewed and for the eleven months ending in November contracts awarded totaled more than for the corresponding months of 1922. Building operations on a considerable scale were general throughout the country and residential building not only increased more rapidly than construction for business and industrial purposes but constituted a larger proportion of the total than in the two previous years. The large volume of construction not only led to increased production of building materials, but also resulted in large sales of furniture and other household goods and was an important factor in the demand in many lines of trade.

Price Readjustments.

"Prices of building materials and house furnishings, while they declined during the latter part of the year, remained, nevertheless, considerably above the average for all commodities. The general price level, as measured by the wholesale price index of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, after advancing somewhat during the first three months of the year, declined by November to a point below that of November, 1922, but the average for the eleven months of 1923 was slightly higher than the average for the year 1922.

"Apart from certain changes in the general level, however, are the readjustments which have taken place between various groups of commodities, particularly the increase in the prices of certain agricultural products and the continued decline in fuel prices. Prices of farm products as a whole were higher in November, 1923, than at any time since December, 1920. This rise was due entirely to the higher prices of crops, as the prices of live stock and animal products were lower in November than at any time during the year.

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"Stocks of materials had been replenished, the available supplies of labor and equipment were being utilized near to capacity and manufacturers began to see some uncertainty about the possibility of marketing at profitable prices the large current output. The recognition that there had been a rise in prices which could hardly be maintained gave rise to hesitancy, and the recession which followed was an expression of the conservative attitude taken by the business community.

"In the Fall months, however, with the continuance of active trade and an undiminished demand from consumers, business became more confident.

"Throughout 1923, a year when business volume, prices and profits were adjusting themselves to the new level, it was primarily the attitude of business which moderated both the upward and the downward movements and exercised a stabilizing influence upon trade and industry."

Coffin Heads Lima Locomotive.

J. S. Coffin has been elected President of the Lima Locomotive Works, Inc., succeeding Le Grand Parish, who resigned to devote his time to the American Arch Company, of which he is also President. Mr. Parish will continue to serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the Lima Company.

MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS.

TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF CUBA CANE SUGAR CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of the stockholders of Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation will be held at the office of the Corporation, No. 120 Front Street, New York City, on Monday, January 14th, 1924, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the election of directors to hold office for the ensuing year, and for action in respect to amending the Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws so as to decrease the number of directors to twenty (20), and for the transaction of any and all business that may come before the meeting, including considering and voting upon the approval and ratification of all contracts, acts and proceedings of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee and amendments of the By-laws since the last annual meeting, as set forth in the minute book, which will be presented at the meeting and be open for the inspection of the stockholders.

The stock transfer books of the Corporation will not be closed.

By order of the Board.
H. E. ODLUM, President.
G. A. KNAPP, Secretary.

GUARANTEED MORTGAGE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

A Special Meeting of the Stockholders of the GUARANTEED MORTGAGE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, to action upon the dissolve this company and such business as may properly come before said meeting will be held at the office of the Company, 348 Madison Avenue, New York City, on Monday, January 14th, 1924, at 1:30 P. M.

JOHN E. BUFFIN, President.
JAMES B. TURK, Secretary.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the GUARANTEED MORTGAGE COMPANY OF NEW YORK, to elect Directors to serve for the ensuing year and such business as may properly come before said meeting will be held at the office of the Company, 348 Madison Avenue, New York City, on Tuesday, January 15th, 1924, at 1:30 P. M.

JOHN E. BUFFIN, President.
JAMES B. TURK, Secretary.

Dated Dec. 22, 1923.

HUDSON TRUST COMPANY
NEW YORK, N. Y.

TO STOCKHOLDERS:

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Hudson Trust Company will be held at the main office of the Company, northwest corner of Broadway and Thirty-ninth Street, Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, on Wednesday, January 16, 1924, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to elect Directors in place of those whose term of office expires, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The books for the transfer of the stock of the Company will be closed on January 2, 1924, at 3 P. M., and reopened on January 17, 1924, at 10 A. M.

Dated New York, December 21, 1923.

FRANK V. BALDWIN, President.

NATIONAL SURETY COMPANY
115 Broadway, New York.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the NATIONAL SURETY COMPANY, for the election of Directors and to transact all such other business as may legally come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company, 115 Broadway, New York, on Wednesday, January 16, 1924, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books will be closed from January 10th to January 16th, 1924, inclusive.

ARTHUR M. BECKWITH, Secretary.

INTERNATIONAL BANDING MACHINE CO.

New York, December 21st, 1923.

To the Stockholders of the Company:

The Annual meeting of the Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 347-349 West 17th Street, New York City, on January 14th, 1924, at 2 P. M.

ISIDOR STEINER, President.

DIVIDENDS.

THE AMERICAN GAS COMPANY,
104 Market Street,
Camden, N. J.
December 22, 1923.

The Board of Directors of The American Gas Company have this day declared a Quarterly Dividend of 1¼% (1.25 per share) on the Capital Stock of this Company, payable January 15, 1924, to stockholders of record 3:00 P. M., January 2, 1924. Checks will be mailed.

JOS. R. TOWNSEND, 2d, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF
LOCKWOOD, GREENE & CO., MANAGERS
Boston, Mass.

The quarterly dividend of 1¾% No. 17, upon the outstanding capital stock of The Lawton Mills Corporation has been declared payable December 31, 1923, at the Transfer Agents, The Old Colony Trust Company, Boston, Mass., to stockholders of record at the close of business December 24, 1923.

THE LAWTON MILLS CORPORATION
S. HAROLD GREENE, Treasurer.

HAMILTON WOOLLEN COMPANY
DIVIDEND NO. 110.

A quarterly dividend of $1.50 per share has been declared, payable January 15, 1924, to stockholders of record at the close of business December 31, 1923. Checks will be mailed by the West Roxbury Trust Company of Boston, Transfer Agent.

ARTHUR E. MASON, Treasurer.

Boston, December 28, 1923.

ELYN SHOES, INC.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the above Corporation held this day, a Dividend of 5% in Scrip on the Common Stock of this Company was duly declared, payable January 31st, 1924, to Common Stockholders of record at the close of business January 15, 1924.

Dated New York, Dec. 12, 1923.

ADOLPH LEWKOWITZ, Secretary.

DETROIT UNITED RAILWAY.

Regular Quarterly Dividend of 1¼% on the Capital Stock of this Company has been declared, payable March 1st, 1924, to all Stockholders of record at 3 P. M., February 1st, 1924.

A. E. PETERS, Secretary.
Highland Park, Michigan, December 28, 1923.

THE GOTHAM NATIONAL BANK OF NEW YORK

New York, December 26, 1923.

The Board of Directors of this Bank has this day declared a quarterly dividend of Three per Cent. (3%), payable January 2, 1924, to stockholders of record December 21, 1923.

THOMAS S. FEE, Cashier.

New York, Dec. 24, 1923.

GENERAL UNION GAS COMPANY.

The coupons due January 1st, 1924, on Bonds of the Company due Jan. 1st, 1943, will be paid at THE NATIONAL CITY BANK, No. 55 WALL STREET, New York City, on and after Jan. 2, 1924.

PHILIP J. SCHNEIDER, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL NOTICES. FINANCIAL NOTICES.

REORGANIZATION OF
Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company

Under Plan and Agreement dated November 1, 1921

To Holders of the following securities:

Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company
Second Mortgage Four Per Cent. Gold Bonds
First and Refunding Mortgage Four Per Cent. Gold Bonds
General Mortgage Four and One-Half Per Cent. Gold Bonds
Two Year Secured Gold Notes
First Mortgage Extension Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds
St. Louis Division First Mortgage Refunding Four Per Cent. Gold Bonds

The Missouri, Kansas & Eastern Railway Company
First Mortgage Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds

The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Co. of Texas
First Mortgage Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds

The Wichita Falls & Northwestern Railway Company
First Mortgage Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds
First Lien Collateral Trust Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds
First and Refunding Mortgage Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds

Southwestern Coal & Improvement Company
First Mortgage Six Per Cent. Trust Bonds

More than 97% of each class of the securities above described has been deposited under the Plan and Agreement of Reorganization dated November 1, 1921. Holders of any of said securities not heretofore deposited may become parties to said Plan and Agreement by depositing their securities, on or before February 1, 1924, with

IRVING BANK-COLUMBIA TRUST COMPANY
at its office No. 60 Broadway, New York City

Securities deposited must be in negotiable form and bear all appurtenant coupons called for by said Plan and Agreement.

After February 1, 1924, deposits of said securities will be received only in the discretion of the Reorganization Managers and depositors after said date will be required to pay in cash to the Depositary at the time of deposit an amount equal to ½ of 1% of the principal amount of securities deposited.

Dated, New York, December 31, 1923.

J. & W. SELIGMAN & CO. HALLGARTEN & CO.
Reorganization Managers.

CUMBERLAND TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY, INCORPORATED.

Interest on First and General Mortgage Five Per Cent. Gold Bonds of this Company, due 1937, will be paid on or after January 1, 1924, upon presentation of Coupon No. 24 to the Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Company, No. 60 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

J. M. B. HOXSEY, Treasurer.

SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Interest on Thirty-Year First Mortgage Sinking Fund Gold Bonds of this Company, due 1941, will be paid on and after January 1, 1924, upon presentation of Coupon No. 26 to the Bankers Trust Company, No. 16 Wall Street, New York, N. Y.

J. M. B. HOXSEY, Treasurer.

DIVIDENDS.

International Petroleum Company, Limited

Notice of Dividend No. 5

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of 25c. United States Currency per share, has been declared by the Directors of the International Petroleum Company, Limited, and that the same will be payable on or after the 2nd day of January, 1924, in respect of the shares specified in any Bearer Share Warrants of the Company upon presentation and delivery of coupons No. 5 attached to the said bearer Share Warrants at the following banks:—

The Royal Bank of Canada,
60 Church Street, Toronto, Canada.

The Farmers' Loan and Trust Company,
16-22 William Street, New York, N. Y.

The Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, Limited,
26 Old Broad Street, London, E. C., England.

OR

The Offices of the International Petroleum Company, Limited,
56 Church Street, Toronto, Canada.

The payment to Shareholders of record whose shares are fully paid up at the close of business on the 22nd day of December, 1923, and whose shares are represented by registered Certificates will be made by cheque, mailed from the offices of the Company on the 31st day of December, 1923.

The Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th day of December, 1923, to the 31st day of December, 1923, inclusive and no Bearer Share Warrants will be "split" during that period.

By Order of the Board,
J. R. CLARKE,
Secretary.

56 Church Street,
Toronto, Canada.
17th December, 1923.

Associated Dry Goods Corporation.
Hudson Street, City Building.
Hoboken, N. J.
December 27th, 1923.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

A dividend of one and one-quarter per cent. (1¼%) on the Common Stock of the Associated Dry Goods Corporation has been declared by the Board of Directors, payable on Feb. 1st, 1924, to the holders of record at said Common Stock at the close of business on the 19th day of January, 1924.

A dividend of one and one-half per cent. (1½%) on the First Preferred Stock, a dividend of one and three quarters per cent. (1¾%) on the Second Preferred Stock of the Associated Dry Goods Corporation has been declared by the Board of Directors, payable on March 1st, 1924, to the holders of said First Preferred Stocks of record at the close of business on the 20th day of February, 1924.

Checks will be mailed.

Attention is called to the fact that no dividend is payable on the Class "A" participating representing fractional interests in said Preferred Stocks and holders of such scrip certificates are urged to exchange the same for full shares of Preferred Stock on or before said last mentioned date.

RALPH M. STAUFFER, Treasurer.

AMERICAN CAN CO.
Common Stock.

A quarterly dividend of one and one-quarter per cent. has been declared on the Common Stock of this Company; also an extra dividend of one per cent. on the Common Stock; both payable February 15, 1924, to holders of record at 3:00 o'clock P. M. on January 31, 1924. Transfer Books will remain open. Checks mailed.

E. T. BEDFORD, Secretary and Treasurer.

THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

No. 25 Broad St., New York, Dec. 19, 1923.

A quarterly dividend of ONE (1) per cent. on the Preferred Stock of this Company has been declared, payable January 15, 1924, to all holders of record at 3 P. M. on January 2, 1924. Checks will be mailed.

H. M. HINSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

THE KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

No. 25 Broad St., New York, Dec. 19, 1923.

A quarterly dividend of ONE (1) per cent. on the Common Stock of this Company has been declared, payable January 15, 1924, to all holders of record at 3 P. M. on January 2, 1924. Checks will be mailed.

H. M. HINSON, Secretary and Treasurer.

Anton Jurgens' United (Margarine) Works

Twenty-five Year Secured Convertible 6% Bonds

Interest due January 1, 1924

To the Holders of the above bonds and holders of WHITE, WELD & Co. Interim Receipts for the above bonds:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the interest on these bonds due the 1st day of January, 1924, will be payable at our office, 14 Wall Street, New York City, on and after January 2, 1924.

Inasmuch as definitive bonds of this issue are now ready for delivery in exchange for White, Weld & Co. Interim Receipts at the National Bank of Commerce in New York, 31 Nassau Street, New York City, this interest will be paid only upon presentation of the January 1, 1924 coupon attaching to such definitive bonds.

The interest is payable out of funds to be furnished the undersigned for that purpose by the Anton Jurgens' United (Margarine) Works.

This interest is payable in United States money at the rate of exchange for sight drafts on the Netherlands on the day of presentation of the coupon for payment, without deduction for Dutch taxes.

WHITE, WELD & CO.

December 31, 1923.

NORTHERN CANADA POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

1st Mortgage 6% Per Cent. Fifteen-Year Sinking Fund Gold Bonds.

To the holders of bonds issued by Northern Canada Power Company Limited and secured by Land Titles Charge and Mortgage of Trust dated the 21st day of October, 1913, made by Northern Canada Power Company Limited to The Toronto General Trusts Corporation, as Trustee for Bondholders.

NORTHERN CANADA POWER COMPANY LIMITED hereby gives notice that it intends to redeem at the par, half-yearly interest on the 1st day of January, 1924, at the office of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, 269 Bay Street, Toronto, all its outstanding bonds known as its 1st Mortgage 6% Fifteen-Year Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, secured by the Land Titles Charge and Mortgage Deed of Trust above mentioned, by payment of the principal amount of such outstanding bonds and all accrued interest thereon, all pursuant to the terms of the said Land Titles Charge and Mortgage Deed of Trust.

Furthermore, the said Company will redeem at par plus accrued interest all outstanding bonds of above issue tendered for redemption at the Toronto General Trusts Corporation prior to said 1st day of January, 1924.

On the said 1st day of January, 1924, interest on all bonds of the above mentioned issue shall cease.

Dated at Toronto this 31st day of October, 1923.

NORTHERN CANADA POWER COMPANY LIMITED.
By its solicitors, Messrs. Robertson, Fedorkiewich, Aitchison and Pickup, 14 Toronto Street, Toronto.

NOTICE is hereby given that default having been made by the

American Fuel Oil & Transportation Company, Inc.

under the indentures to the undersigned, as Trustee, dated July 1, 1921, that the undersigned will cause to be sold at public auction, at the office of the undersigned, Selkirk Insurance Building, 14-16 Vesey Street, New York City, N. Y., at noon, Thursday, January 3, 1924, by Adrien H. Muller & Son, auctioneers, the following stock held as collateral for the Bonds issued under said indentures: Treasury Oil Corporation, 18,136 shares pfd. par value $100 per share.

Treasury Oil Corporation, 62,000 shares com. par value $100 per share.

Amtor Oil Company, 20,000 shares common, value $10 per share.

White Oil Corporation, 1,250 shares com., par value $100 per share.

Tampico Oil Company, 500 shares com., par value $100 per share.

This security will be sold for cash or satisfactory certified check.

Before a person shall be entitled to buy he shall deposit with the undersigned at his office, 120 Broadway, New York City, N. Y., or at Room 2 o'clock P. M., January 3d, 1924, the sum of $5,000 in cash.

Any purchaser may pay a portion of the purchase price in the bonds and unpaid coupons issued under said indentures on par and interest.

Detailed terms of the sale will be announced by the Auctioneer at said sale.

EMPIRE TRUST COMPANY, Trustee.
By: FRANCIS HENDERSON, Vice-President.
120 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.

THE MORTGAGE-BOND COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

Coupons due January 1st, 1924, from the First Ten Cent. Gold Mortgage Bonds, Series 1, of this Company, will be paid on and after that date upon presentation at the office of Messrs. Ladenburg, Thalmann & Company, No. 25 Broad Street, New York City.

J. HENRY WESTON, Treasurer.

New York, December 31, 1923.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Coupons due January 1st, 1924, from STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA 4½% Redemption or Deficiency Bonds and 4% Funding Gold Bonds will be paid at the Manufacturers Trust Bank, New York City.

SAVING BANKS. SAVING BANKS.

CENTRAL SAVINGS BANK
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
1859 CORNER 4TH AV. AND 14TH ST. 1924

Assets.....Over 150 Million Dollars
Surplus (Investment Value) " 20 " "

QUARTERLY DIVIDEND INTEREST AT THE RATE PER ANNUM OF
FOUR (4) PER CENTUM

for the three months ending December 31, 1923 will be credited on all deposits not exceeding $5,000 entitled thereto under the by-laws, payable on and after January 20, 1924.

DEPOSITS MADE ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 10, 1924 WILL DRAW INTEREST FROM JANUARY 1, 1924.

During the month of February, 1924, the Central Savings Bank will open an Office at the N. W. Corner of B'way & 77 St.

A. KOPPEL, 2d Vice President and Treasurer. HUBERT CILLIS, President

The Greenwich Savings Bank
6th Ave. and 16th St. New York

This office will be maintained as a branch after new building is completed at 36th St. and 6th Ave.

A Quarterly Dividend
at the rate of
4% per annum has been declared as of Jan. 1, 1924 on all accounts from $5 to $5,000 entitled thereto payable on and after Jan. 21, 1924.

Deposits made on or before January 10th draw Interest from January 1st

CHARLES M. DUTCHER, President
L. De G. QUACKENBUSH, Treasurer
FRANCIS M. BACON, R. OGDEN CHISOLM Secretaries

The Franklin Savings Bank

DEPOSITS OVER $42,000,000 IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK COR. 5th AVENUE AND 46nd STREET FOUNDED 1828 PAR VALUE SURPLUS OVER $6,000,000

Quarterly interest dividend has been declared for the three months ending December 31st, 1923, at the rate of

FOUR PERCENT. PER ANNUM

on all deposits entitled thereto, payable on and after January 15th, 1924. Quick Service! Convenient Hours! Deposits made on or before January 12th, 1924, will draw interest from Jan. 1. Open Mondays from 9 A. M. to 8 P. M., Fridays 9 A. M. to 7 P. M., other days from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M., Saturdays 9 A. M. to 12 M., Holidays excepted.

Money to Loan on Bond and Mortgage

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For three months ending December 31, 1923, our trustees have declared a quarterly dividend at the rate of 4% per annum.

Bank your bonus or Christmas money here. One dollar or more will open an account.

War Savings Stamps, series of 1919, due Jan. 1, 1924, will be accepted on each

East River Savings Institution
291-3-5 Broadway
One Block North of City Hall

HARLEM SAVINGS BANK
125th ST. AND LEXINGTON AVE.

The trustees have declared a quarterly dividend at the rate of 4% per annum on all sums from $5 to $5,000, payable on and after Jan. 21, 1924.

Money deposited on or before January 10 will draw interest from January 1, 1924.

WILLIAM B. TROTTER, President.
ROBERT C. HART, Asst. Secretary. THOMAS B. HEBERT, Secretary.
BANK NOW OPEN MONDAYS FROM 10 A. M. TO 8 P. M.

THE BROOKLYN SAVINGS BANK
Incorporated 1827.
Pierrepont and Clinton Sts.
Entrance also at 000 Fulton St.

A QUARTERLY DIVIDEND
AT THE RATE OF
4%
PER ANNUM

will be credited to depositors January 1, 1924 (payable on and after January 10), on all sums entitled thereto. Deposits made on or before January 15

INCOME TAX GUIDE ISSUED BY BUREAU

First of a Series of Statements Designed to Inform and Instruct the Public.

FILING PERIOD BEGINS JAN. 1

Provisions of the Law Requiring a Report on Income Explained to Taxpayers.

The close of the year again brings income taxes to the centre of attention. The Bureau of Internal Revenue issued yesterday the first of a series of statements designed to bring out briefly and as clearly as possible the requirements of the Revenue act as they affect the average taxpayer—salaried person, business and professional man and woman and farmer. The articles give official information to guide taxpayers in the preparation of their returns.

The bureau makes the following summary, showing the income tax in a "nutshell":

"Who? Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

"When? The filing period is from Jan. 1 to March 15, 1924.

"Where? Collector of Internal Revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

"How? Instructions on Form 1040A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

"Tax? 4 per cent. normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents, 8 per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent. to 50 per cent. on net income over $66,000 for the year 1923."

Supplementing this summary, the bureau says:

"What was your income for the year 1923?

"The Bureau of Internal Revenue today is addressing this question to every citizen and resident of the United States. Endeavor correctly to answer this and other questions relating to income and income tax will be made by the vast majority of persons who annually are required to file an individual income tax return. Experience as evidenced by the files of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, thousands of taxpayers are without exact knowledge of the requirements of the revenue act in relation to such obligations.

"The result is the filing of an incorrect return, frequently to the detriment of the taxpayer who fails to take advantage of allowable exemptions and deductions.

"As an aid in the preparation of individual income tax returns for the year 1923, the Bureau of Internal Revenue has prepared a series of articles based on the latest rulings and decisions governing the administration of the revenue act. The salaried man, wage earner, professional and business man, farmer, in fact every class of taxpayer, will be informed fully of the requirements and privileges. Taxpayers are advised to preserve these articles as a guide in the making of their returns.

"Every single person whose net income for 1923 was $1,000 or more or whose gross income was $5,000 or more, must file a return. Divorcees or persons separated by mutual consent are classed as single persons. Married persons, living together, are required to file a return if the aggregate net income was $2,000 or more, or if the aggregate gross income was $5,000 or more. Husban and wife may include the income of each in a single joint return, or may file separate returns showing the income of each."

WEEK'S MONEY MARKET.

	High.	Date.	Low.	Date.
Last week	6	Dec. 27	4½	Dec. 24
Same week last yr.	6	Dec. 29	4½	Dec. 26
Year to date	6	Feb. 13	4½	Jan. 2
Same period last yr.	6	Jan. 2	4½	Jan. 12

TIME MONEY.

Last week	5	Dec. 28	5	Dec. 28
Same week last yr.	5	Dec. 26	4½	Dec. 26
Year to date	5	Apr. 7	4½	Jan. 10
Same period last yr.	5½	Apr. 17	5½	June 23

COMMERCIAL PAPER.

Last week	5	Dec. 28	4½	Dec. 26
Same week last yr.	5	Dec. 26	4½	Dec. 26
Year to date	5	Apr. 7	4½	June 17
Same period last yr.	5½	June 2	4	May 4

Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (including member banks' 15-day collateral notes) secured by:

Federal Reserve Bank of Boston	Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness.	Liberty Bonds.	Otherwise Secured & Unsecured.
Boston	4½	4½	4½
New York	4½	4½	4½
Philadelphia	4½	4½	4½
Cleveland	4½	4½	4½
Richmond	4½	4½	4½
Atlanta	4½	4½	4½
Chicago	4½	4½	4½
St. Louis	4½	4½	4½
Minneapolis	4½	4½	4½
Kansas City	4½	4½	4½
Dallas	4½	4½	4½
San Francisco	4½	4½	4½

Agricultural & Live Stock

	Bankers' Acceptances Maturing Within 90 Days.	Trade Acceptances Discounted for Member Banks.	Paper Maturing in 91 to 180 Days.
Boston	4½	4½	4½
New York	4½	4½	4½
Philadelphia	4½	4½	4½
Cleveland	4½	4½	4½
Richmond	4½	4½	4½
Atlanta	4½	4½	4½
Chicago	4½	4½	4½
St. Louis	4½	4½	4½
Minneapolis	4½	4½	4½
Kansas City	4½	4½	4½
Dallas	4½	4½	4½
San Francisco	4½	4½	4½

LONDON MONEY AND SECURITIES.

	Discount Rate.	Gold.	Cons. 4½s.	Brit. 5s.	Brit. 4½s.
Dec. 24	Holiday	85s 01d	53½	96¾	
Dec. 25	Holiday				
Dec. 26	Holiday				
Dec. 27	5½	85s 01d	53½	96¾	
Dec. 28	5½	84s 10d	53½	97	
Dec. 29	5½	84s 10d	53½	97	

PARIS MONEY AND SECURITIES.

	French Rentes.	Ex. on London.	Ex. on N. Y.
Dec. 24	Holiday.		
Dec. 25	Holiday.		
Dec. 26	53f 80c	86f 75c	19f 96½c
Dec. 27	53f 60c	85f	19f 62c
Dec. 28	53f 00c	84f 25c	19f 16c
Dec. 29	53f 60c	84f 25c	19f 63c

WEEK'S PRODUCE MARKET.

CHICAGO.

	Dec.		May.		July.	
WHEAT—	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	1.01⅛	1.00¾	1.04⅝	1.03⅝	1.04⅛	1.04⅛
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	1.02	1.00¼	1.07¼	1.05⅝	1.06¾	1.04¾
Dec. 27	1.01⅝	1.00¼	1.07¼	1.06¾	1.06¾	1.05⅝
Dec. 28	1.01⅝	1.00¼	1.07¼	1.06¾	1.06¾	1.05⅝
Dec. 29	1.01⅝	1.00¾	1.08	1.06¾	1.06¾	1.05⅝
Week's range—						
	1.02⅛	1.00¼	1.08	1.05⅝	1.06¾	1.04¾

	Dec.		May.		July.	
CORN—	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	.69	.68	.73⅝	.72¾	.74½	.73¾
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	.69¾	.68	.73⅝	.72¾	.74⅝	.73¾
Dec. 27	.70	.69	.74¼	.73⅝	.75⅞	.74½
Dec. 28	.70	.69¾	.73⅞	.73¼	.75⅝	.74⅝
Dec. 29	.70¼	.69¾	.74⅛	.73¾	.75⅝	.74⅝
Week's range—						
	.70¼	.68	.74⅛	.72¾	.75⅝	.73¾

	Dec.		May.		July.	
OATS—	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	.44¼	.43⅞	.44¾	.44¼	.42¾	.42¼
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	.41⅝	.40¾	.44¾	.44¼	.42⅝	.41⅞
Dec. 27	.41⅝	.41¼	.45	.44⅝	.43⅛	.42⅝
Dec. 28	.41⅝	.41¼	.44¾	.44⅛	.42⅝	.42⅛
Dec. 29	.41⅝	.41¼	.45¼	.44⅝	.43⅛	.42⅝
Week's range—						
	.43	.40¾	.45¾	.44⅛	.43⅛	.41⅞

	Dec.		May.		July.	
RYE.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	..	..	.75¼	.74	..	..
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	.76¾	.67	.74	.73¾	..	..
Dec. 27	..	..	.74½	.73¾	.74¾	.74¼
Dec. 28	..	..	.75	.74¼	..	..
Dec. 29	.76¾	.67¼	.74¾	.73¾	..	..
Week's range—						
	.76¾	.67	.74¾	.73¾	.74¾	.73¾

PROVISIONS.

	Jan.		March.		May.	
LARD.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	12.17	12.15	12.15	12.12	....	....
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	12.20	12.17	12.15	12.12	12.20	12.20
Dec. 27	12.20	12.17	12.20	12.17	12.20	12.20
Dec. 28	12.05	11.92	11.97	11.90	12.05	12.05
Dec. 29	12.15	12.05	....	....	12.20	12.20
Week's range—						
	12.25	11.92	12.15	11.97	12.20	12.05

	Jan.		May.		July.	
RIBS.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	Holiday.					
Dec. 25	....	....	....	....	9.70	9.67
Dec. 26	....	....	....	....	9.65	9.60
Dec. 27	....	....	....	....	9.75	9.60
Dec. 28	9.85	9.65	9.75	9.60	....	....
Dec. 29	....	....	....	....	....	....
Week's range—						
	9.85	9.65	9.75	9.60		

WEEK'S COTTON MARKET.

	Dec.		Jan.		Mar.	
	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	35.30	35.20	34.95	34.79	35.35	35.15
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	....	....	35.75	34.95	36.12	35.20
Dec. 27	....	....	35.50	35.31	35.82	35.65
Dec. 28	....	....	35.60	35.18	35.74	35.35
Dec. 29	....	....	35.85	34.90	35.85	35.15
Week's range—						
	35.30	35.20	35.85	34.95	36.12	35.15

	May.		July.		Oct.	
	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
Dec. 24	35.45	35.21	34.80	34.63	32.95	32.80
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	35.70	35.45	34.90	34.70	33.20	32.95
Dec. 27	36.00	35.65	35.15	35.04	33.47	33.17
Dec. 28	35.75	35.50	34.92	34.80	33.20	33.01
Dec. 29	35.95	35.60	35.07	34.85	33.18	33.07
Week's range—						
	36.00	35.21	35.76	34.43	33.64	32.80

SPOT COTTON.

	Liverpool.	New Orleans.	New York.
Dec. 24	20.06d.	34.90c	34.95c
Dec. 25	Holiday	Holiday	Holiday
Dec. 26	Holiday	35.75c	37.30c
Dec. 27	20.73d.	36.00c	37.90c
Dec. 28	20.65d.	35.50c	36.60c
Dec. 29	20.51d.	35.50c	36.45c
Week's range—			
High	20.73d.	36.00c	37.90c
Low	20.06d.	34.90c	34.95c
Year to date—			
	Dec. 5	Dec. 1	Dec. 1
High	21.42d.	36.00c	37.90c
	Aug. 1	July 25	May 25
Low	18.84d.	33.00c	34.45c

1923 BUILDING COST 113% OVER 1915

Investors Inquire as to When the Elastic Limit Will Be Reached in New York.

FIVE-YEAR GAIN 83.27%

Material Distributers Wary About Forward Buying—Manufacturers Check Overextension.

Any assumption a decade ago that New York's building construction demand could ever attain strength enough to sustain a cost inflation of 113.97 per cent. and still absorb further advances would seem incredible, yet that is precisely what has occurred since 1913, says Allan R. Beals in the current Dow Service Daily Building Reports.

Some time the elastic limit must be reached. The question is, when? Under the 1924-5 wage scale for New York building labor, now in process of adjustment, a minimum of 50 cents a day per man will be added to the cost of building. At least $10,000,000 a year, allowing for lost time due to weather, disability and inefficiency, is here added to building cost up to the close of the year 1925. No account is here taken of bonus payments or overtime.

Nothing is counted in for increased cost of material delivered at the job and probable premium payments for prompt delivery to keep jobs moving.

For the purpose of making a specific construction cost citation the building at the southwest corner of Thirty-eighth Street and Madison Avenue was selected as a typical high-class sixteen-story commercial building (forty of the vintage of 1915, having been started in October of that year and carried through a Winter building program.

Russell B. Smith, engineer, consultants and supervisory of this job, were invited by The Dow Service Daily Building Reports to obtain estimates from the original subcontractors in 1917, and the first column herein shows the aggregate in cost of this job between the original estimates in 1915 and 1917.

The same firm of engineers was again invited last October to ask the identical subcontractors for estimates on an exact duplication of that building as of October, 1923, and the other columns shows the difference in cost, or 113.97 per cent. over 1915 and 83.27 per cent. between the years 1917 and 1923.

	Oct., 1917.	Oct., 1923.
Architectural terra cotta	27.7	43.85
Boiler stock	211.2	70.97
Electric wiring and gutters	25.3	75.14
Carpenter work	6.1	77.55
Elevators	67.6	106.97
Excavation and sheet piling	50.2	97.36
Exterior limestone	83.0	100.24
Fireproofing	73.5	146.96
Glass and glazing	126.9	96.12
Granite	77.2	112.45
Hardware	21.4	107.94
Heating and ventilating	152.1	97.00
Interior marble	30.9	106.15
Mail chute	10.0	41.73
Masonry	22.0	104.55
Metal work	42.0	137.83
Ornamental iron	17.7	85.00
Painting	138.9	104.00
Plastering and metal lath	22.3	140.34
Plumbing	51.0	100.00
Roofing and sheet metal	35.0	101.00
Sprinklers	129.4	85.67
Stair treads (asphalt)	23.00	96.00
Steel erection	26.0	180.00
Steel fabrication	172.7	85.00
Tile wainscoting and floors	80.2	167.00
Waterproofing	5.0	70.00
Windows (Galanteha)	50.7	97.00
Advance over 1915, 80.75%. Advance over 1917, 83.27%.		

The least increase is found in the metal deck item. This is explained by the subcontractor as due to the fact that since 1916 his machinery has been so perfected that the manufacturing cost has diminished and only the material cost has increased. This low item does not apply to the entire metal deck trade.

As these up-bound construction costs are paid for in rental investment only, inquire as to how far the habitational or commercial rentpayer can or will go. Also they are beginning to wonder what form the pending protest will take when it does occur.

"They are complaining, for instance, of the strong note of protest in the report to the Legislature by the committee investigating housing conditions here in New York with regard to the apparent inability of speculative builders to meet the housing needs of the poor at a profit to themselves and at the same time get decent living accommodations on the market at a price the poor can pay.

"The two elements are not compatible when it comes to absorbing increased rents resulting from such construction cost exhibits as are here presented. Furthermore, if the Spring building volume even approximates normal, there will be more work offering for skilled building craftsmen than there are men to do it.

"For this reason, among others, there is developing among building material distributors a policy of caution with regard to forward buying, and among building contractors and owners there is a growing tendency not to overextend themselves until this market, particularly, gives convincing evidence of having sufficient strength to continue to carry such abnormally heavy construction cost loads not only through 1924, but in 1925."

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES.

	Demand.				Cable Transfers.			
LONDON.	High.	Low.	Last.		High.	Low.	Last.	
Dec. 24	4.84¼	4.83⅝	4.84⅜	4.85	4.85⅛	4.84⅝	4.84⅞	4.85
Dec. 25	Holiday.							
Dec. 26	4.84⅜	4.83⅝	4.83⅝	4.83⅝	4.84⅜	4.83⅝	4.83⅝	4.83⅝
Dec. 27	4.83⅝	4.83¼	4.83⅜	4.83⅜	4.83⅝	4.83⅜	4.83⅜	4.83⅜
Dec. 28	4.83⅝	4.83⅜	4.84	4.84	4.83⅝	4.83⅜	4.84	4.84
Dec. 29	4.83⅝	4.83⅜	4.83⅝	4.83⅝	4.83⅝	4.83⅜	4.83⅝	4.83⅝
Week's range—								
High	4.84¼	Friday		4.85	Friday			
Low	4.83⅜	Saturday		4.83⅜	Wednesday			
Year to date—								
High	4.84¾	Feb. 21		7.44	Jan. 2			
Low	4.33	Nov. 19		4.36½	Dec. 26			

	ITALY.			SPAIN.		
	High.	Low.	Last.	High.	Low.	Last.
Dec. 24	4.31⅜	4.29⅜	4.31⅜	16.50	16.50	16.50
Dec. 25	Holiday.					
Dec. 26	4.31⅜	4.29⅜	4.30⅜	16.50	16.37	16.50
Dec. 27	4.30⅜	4.29⅜	4.30⅜	16.50	16.37	16.50
Dec. 28	4.30⅜	4.29⅜	4.30⅜	16.50	16.37	16.50
Dec. 29	4.30⅜	4.29⅜	4.30⅜	16.50	16.37	16.50
Week's range—						
High	4.31⅜	Thursday		16.50	Friday	
Low	4.29⅜	Monday		16.37	Saturday	
Year to date—						
High	5.34	Jan. 2		15.82	Jan. 25	
Low	4.15⅛	Nov. 6		12.85	Nov. 16	

	HOLLAND.		
	High.	Low.	Last.
Dec. 24	37.90	37.85	37.85
Dec. 25	Holiday		
Dec. 26	37.90	37.80	37.82
Dec. 27	37.95	37.85	37.91
Dec. 28	37.90	37.80	38.01
Dec. 29	37.95	37.85	38.01
Week's range—			
High	38.05	Friday	
Low	37.80	Wednesday	
Year to date—			
High	39.70	Jan. 2	
Low	34.95	Nov. 17	

	GERMANY.		
	High.	Low.	Last.
Dec. 24	.0000000000023	.0000000000023	.0000000000023
Dec. 25	Holiday		
Dec. 26	.0000000000023	.0000000000023	.0000000000023
Dec. 27	.0000000000023	.0000000000023	.0000000000023
Dec. 28	.0000000000023	.0000000000023	.0000000000023
Dec. 29	.0000000000023	.0000000000023	.0000000000023
Week's range—			
High	.0000000000023	Monday	
Low	.0000000000023	Saturday	
Year to date—			
High	.014838	Jan. 3	
Low	.0000000000012	Nov. 23	

Week's Range.		Year's Range.			
	High.	Low.	High.	Date.	Low.	Date.
Switzerland						
	17.49	17.44	18.56	Jan. 2	17.06	July 7
Belgium						
	4.53¾	4.41	5.23¼	Jan. 2	4.51¼	Aug. 9
Austria						
	.0014¼	.0014¼	.0014¾	Jan. 15	.0014	Jan. 27
Denmark						
	17.77	17.73	20.61	Jan. 2	16.63	Nov. 9
Sweden						
	26.45	26.30	27.09	Jan. 3	26.08	Nov. 10
Norway						
	14.49	14.78	19.04	Jan. 2	14.33	Nov. 16
Greece						
	2.42	2.01	5.00	June 1	2.73	Jan. 22
Czechoslovakia						
	2.95¾	2.95¾	2.99	Jan. 3	2.78	Jan. 22
Rumania						
	1.13¾	1.13¼	1.23	June 8	.19	Jan. 20
Hungary						
	.0053	.0052	.0534	Mar. 8	.004	July 30
Finland						
	2.48¼	2.47¼	2.80	Mar. 8	2.47	Dec. 12
Russia						
	.5¾	.5¼	.80¾	Jan. 3	.38	Jan. 29
Polish						
	.000020	.000018	.0038	Jan. 4	.000018	Dec. 19

	CHINA.					
Hongkong						
	51.125	51.125	56.50	Mar. 29	50.50	Nov. 15
Pekin						
	76.50	76.50	81.25	Mar. 12	72.25	July 31
Shanghai						
	73.38	73.13	78.75	Mar. 26	69.88	Nov. 2

	JAPAN.					
Kobe						
	46.48	46.38	49.19	May 31	46.38	Dec. 28
Yokohama						
	46.48	46.38	49.19	May 31	46.38	Dec. 28

	PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.					
Manila						
	49.75	49.75	50.75	Mar. 9	49.38	June 19

	INDIA.					
Calcutta						
	51.15	51.09	53.38	Jan. 31	50.50	Aug. 22
Bombay						
	51.15	51.06	53.25	Jan. 24	50.50	Aug. 23

	SOUTH AMERICA.					
Buenos Aires						
	32.00	31.875	37.56	Jan. 2	30.625	Nov. 19
Rio de Janeiro						
	10.00	9.50	11.80	Jan. 2	8.53	Nov. 2

	RUSSIA.			
	100 Rubles. Bid.	Asked.	500 Rubles. Bid.	Asked.
Dec. 24	.07	.12	.02¾	.03¾
Dec. 25	Holiday			
Dec. 26	.07	.12	.02¾	.03¾
Dec. 27	.07	.12	.02¾	.03¾
Dec. 28	.07	.12	.02¾	.03¾
Dec. 29	.07	.12	.02¾	.03¾
Week's range—				
High	.12	Monday	.03¾	Monday
Low	.07	Monday	.02¾	Monday
Year to date—				
High	.15	Jan. 5	.05¼	Feb. 23
Low	.05	Jan. 3	.01¼	Jan. 3

*Asked. †Bid.

CANADIAN EXCHANGE RATES.

	From U. S. Montreal per $1,000	Disc. Cus in New York per $1,000
Dec. 24		$24.69
Dec. 25	Holiday	
Dec. 26	24.81	24.63
Dec. 27	24.82	24.00
Dec. 28	24.82	24.00
Dec. 29	24.85	24.00
Week's range—		
High	$24.85 Monday	$24.69 Monday
Low	24.80 Wednesday	24.00 Wednesday
Year to date—		
High	$30.68 July 9	$29.69 July 9
Low	4.87⅛ Jan. 3	4.87⅛ Jan. 3

RECORD OF TRANSACTIONS.

New York Stock Exchange, week ended Dec. 29, 1923:

STOCKS (SHARES).

	1923.	1922.	1921.
Monday	794,990	Holiday	Holiday
Tuesday	Holiday	905,772	569,895
Wednesday	1,312,610	1,009,880	851,562
Thursday	1,304,105	1,285,681	778,705
Friday	1,066,670	980,090	794,810
Saturday	746,060	802,876	444,476
Tot. week	5,168,376	4,714,899	3,437,448
Total year	236,981,911	255,753,597	171,420,602

BONDS (PAR VALUE).

	1923.	1922.	1921.
Monday	$7,484,000	Holiday	Holiday
Tuesday	Holiday	$11,625,000	$14,375,500
Wednesday	9,118,500	12,827,500	16,458,500
Thursday	15,312,500	16,066,500	20,265,000
Friday	12,044,000	10,474,500	14,797,750
Saturday	8,197,000	10,414,000	8,194,500
Tot. week	$52,856,000	$67,406,500	$74,097,250
Total year	2,749,346,500	4,068,626,037	3,283,814,345

Bond dealings compare as follows:

	Dec. 29, '23.	Dec. 30, '22.	Changes.
Corp'ns	$52,856,000	$28,972,500	—$121,750
U. S. Govt.	18,408,500	20,981,700	—10,683,200
Foreign	5,507,000	8,454,300	—2,947,300
State	6,000		6,000
City	75,000	60,000	37,000
Total all	$58,625,750	$67,468,500	—$13,539,750

DISSOLUTION NOTICES.

BORG BROS. & CO.

The undersigned members of this co-partnership announce its dissolution by mutual consent on December 31, 1923.

JOHN BORG CHARLES H. BORG
JOHN H. BORG WILLIAM GILMOUR Jr.
CHARLES W. HALDENWANG

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Henry A. Kopple and Sam Bachy of New York City, under the name of Kopple & Bachy, is this 1st day of January, 1924, dissolved by mutual consent.

New York, January 1st, 1924.

MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS.

YORKVILLE BANK.

Third Ave. at 85th St., New York.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank for the election of Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting will be held at the Banking House, No. 1511 Third Avenue, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1924, at 4:15 P. M.

FREDERICK HATH,
Secretary and Cashier.

New York City, N. Y., December 17, 1923.

To the Stockholders of the Blue-Site Company:

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Beat-Site Company for the election of directors and such other business as may properly come before the meeting will be held at the office of the Company at The Biltmore Hotel, Monday, January 14, 1924, at three o'clock P. M.

SEBASTIAN SOMMERS,
Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Trade Bank of New York will be held at the Banking House, 249 West 34th Street, New York City, on the eighth of January, 1924, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing eighteen directors for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Polls will be open from 1 to 4 P. M.

HENRY L. SCHENK, Cashier.

FOUNDATION SALES CORPORATION

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Foundation Sales Corporation will be held at the office of the Corporation, 5 Livingston Place, New York City, on Wednesday, January 9, 1924, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

G. S. MARTIN, Secretary.

New York City, N. Y., December 17, 1923.

To the Stockholders of the Bowman Hotel Corporation:

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Bowman Hotel Corporation for the election of directors and such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company at the Commodore Hotel, Monday, January 14, 1924, at eleven o'clock A. M.

EUGENE D. MILLER, Secretary.

New York City, N. Y., December 17, 1923.

To the Stockholders of the B. L. M. Bates Corporation:

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the B. L. M. Bates Corporation for the election of directors and such other business as may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the Company at The Belmont Hotel, Monday, January 14th, 1924, at twelve o'clock, Noon.

EUGENE D. MILLER,
Secretary.

New York City, N. Y., Dec. 11, 1923.

To the Stockholders of the Hotel Ansonia Corporation:

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Hotel Ansonia Corporation for the election of directors and such other business as may come before the meeting will be held at the office of the company at Hotel Ansonia, Monday, January 14th, 1924, at two o'clock P. M.

GEORGE W. SWEENEY, Secretary.

THE CONTINENTAL BANK OF NEW YORK.

New York City, December 20, 1923.

The annual meeting of Stockholders of this Bank, for the election of Directors, etc., will be held at the banking room, No. 25 Broad Street, on Tuesday, the 8th of January, 1924, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

F. H. HORNBY, Cashier.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE IN NEW YORK.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of this Bank for the election of Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such meeting will be held at its banking house, 31 Nassau Street, Tuesday, January 8, 1924, at 12 o'clock noon. The polls will be open from 13 M. to 1 P. M.

THOMAS W. BOWERS,
Second Vice President.

THE CHASE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Bank for the election of Directors and to act upon any other matters which may properly be brought before the meeting, will be held at the Bank, No. 57 Broadway, on Tuesday, January 8th, 1924, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

W. F. HOLLY, Cashier.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the ANTILLEAN HOLDING Co., Inc., will be held at the New Y. W. C. A., 179 West 135th Street, New York City, January 10th, 1924, at 8:30 P. M., for the election of three (3) Directors and such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

Dated December 26th, 1923.

A. A. AUSTIN, Secretary.

DISSOLUTION NOTICES.

THE SONORA DRESS & COSTUME CO. of 146 West 25th Street, New York City, a copartnership consisting of SOLOMON NEMEROFF and MORRIS WEINSTEIN, has been dissolved by mutual consent, and SOLOMON NEMEROFF has taken over the business and will continue to conduct it under the same name at the same address.

Dated New York, December 26th, 1923.

SONORA DRESS & COSTUME CO.
MORRIS WEINSTEIN.
SOLOMON NEMEROFF.

BANKRUPTCY SALES.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of SAMUEL COHEN, alleged Bankrupt.—Chas. Shongood, U. S. Auctioneer for the Southern District of New York in bankruptcy, sells this day, Monday, Dec. 31st, 1923, by order of the Court, at 10:30 A. M., at 2622 8th Ave., Borough of Manhattan, assets of the above bankrupt, consisting of leather goods, silk material, office furniture, fixtures, etc.

ALLAN D. EMIL, Attorney for Receiver, 1 Wall St., New York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of HOWARDS, INC., Bankrupt.—Chas. Shongood, U. S. Auctioneer for the Southern District of New York in bankruptcy, sells this day, Monday, Dec. 31st, 1923, by order of the Court, at 1 P. M., at 2440 Broadway, Borough of Manhattan, assets of the above bankrupt, consisting of ladies' wearing apparel, furniture, fixtures, etc.

VINCENT FOLLMAR, Receiver.

SAMUEL RUBIN, Attorney for Receiver, 39 Broadway, New York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of NELLIE DOYLE, alleged Bankrupt.—Chas. Shongood, U. S. Auctioneer for the Southern District of New York in bankruptcy, sells this day, Monday, Dec. 31st, 1923, by order of the Court, at 10:30 A. M., at 174 Madison Av., Borough of Manhattan, assets of the above bankrupt, consisting of dresses, furs, fixtures, etc.

PHINEAS LEWINSON, Receiver.

ISIDOR COHN, Attorney for Receiver, 1540 Broadway, New York.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of LOUIS CLYMAN, Bankrupt.—Chas. Shongood, U. S. Auctioneer for the Southern District of New York in bankruptcy, sells Tuesday, Jan. 8th, 1924, by order of the Court, 10:30 A. M., at 140 Dyckman St., Borough of Manhattan, assets of the above bankrupt, consisting of men's furnishings, fixtures, partition, shelving, etc.

BERNARD F. NATHAN, Attorney for Receiver, 302 Broadway, New York.

Inspection Jan. 8th and 9th.

BANKRUPTCY SALES.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE United States for the Southern District of New York.—In Bankruptcy.—In the matter of ABRAHAM RABINOWITZ, trading as ART FASHION CLO

BUYERS' WANTS.

Fifteen cents per word each insertion.

Men's Wear.

WRITINGS Wanted—Will pay spot cash for all kinds silk shirtings, silk mixtures, fancy English broadcloths; do not call unless ready to sacrifice. Emerson Shirt Co., 57 5th Av.

BUYERS' WANTS.

BOLIVIA Wanted—Barifaxa 906, reindeer, Bay Mist. Arenow Bros., Longacre 2171.

CANTON, Satin, Wanted—All shades; quantity 600 yards; must be cheap; spot cash. Emil Schwarz, 121 West 32d.

CANTON Crepe Wanted—Quantities for cash. Stein Dress, 154 West 31st St.

CHARMEEN, Covered, Wanted—F. & H. or Duplex, for cash. Longacre 9000.

CHARMEEN Wanted—American 9252, satin colors. Bernstein, 35 West 31st.

CHIFFON Velvet Wanted — All qualities, any quantity. Maron's F 69, Basser's Textile Clearing House, Inc., 34 East 29th. Madison Square 8309.

CLOTH Wanted—Pay cash, at price only; fairline stripes and twill cords. 1st floor, 20 East 13th.

CREPE Wanted—Lawrence's stripe, style 73, shades 2-3-5. Accurate Cloak, 16 West 27th.

CLOTH Wanted—American 13130, Fierman & Kelmer, 302 5th Av. Longacre 0481.

COATS and Suits Wanted—Spring, juniors' and ladies'; also children's coats. 4th floor, 32 West 27th.

COATS Wanted—Jobber looking at Spring samples of better coats. Call 134 West 36th, 8th floor.

COATS Wanted—Placing orders on ladies' and juniors' coats and capes. 154 West 27th, 1st floor.

COATS Wanted—Placing orders on children's and juniors' Spring coats. 40 West 27th st., 4th floor.

COATS Wanted—Jobber placing orders on season's Spring styles. Arenow Bros., 139 West 36th.

CREPE de Chine Wanted—Three-thread, spot cash. Kavner Waist and Dress Co., 1264 Broadway, Lexington 5077.

CREPE DE CHINE and Jacquard Crepe Wanted—Quantity for spot cash. Belmore, 51 West 31st.

DRESSES Wanted—Large jobber now placing stock orders on new Spring styles of canton crepe, georgette, crepe de chine and all novelty materials in afternoon and street dresses; samples 9-6 daily. 38 West 32d, 5th floor. Pennsylvania 6830.

DRESSES Wanted—Placing orders on all high grade satin cantons, crepe Elisabeth, roshan crepes, cantons and all newest materials for Spring. Apply 9-5, 246 West 38th st. (elevator).

DRESSES Wanted—Placing orders for satin cantons, canton crepes and flat crepes. Call with samples. Gratz & Hoffman, Inc., 7 West 32d St.

DRESSES Wanted—Jobber wants sport model, check and plaid; call with samples at 9 a.m. Mr. Rubenstein, 7th floor, 131 West 29th.

DRESSES Wanted—Large jobber placing orders on better grade cotton dresses in all materials. See Mr. Kramer, 36 West 32d, 6th floor.

DRESSES Wanted—Large jobber placing quantity orders in your own materials. See Mr. Swarkt, 8 East 32d, 7th floor, up to 11 A. M.

DRESSES Wanted—Jobber open for children's velvet dresses, 7 to 14, for cash. 3d floor, 712 Broadway.

DRESSES Wanted—Jobber looking on new Spring silk dresses all day. 1,225 Broadway, Room 406.

DRESSES Wanted—Spot cash; highest prices paid, jobs silk, cloth. Phone Schaaffer, Longacre 6178.

DRESSES, Coats Wanted—Cash for 10,000, any quantity. Emanuel, 1,261 Broadway, Longacre 2784.

DRESSES Wanted—Jobber placing orders on new Spring dresses. Jess Dress, 333 7th Av.

DRESSES Wanted—Jobber open for silk dresses. 131 West 33th, 2d floor, front.

DRESSES Wanted—For Spring and jobs; spot cash. Heitner, 141 West 33d.

FLANNEL Wanted—Botany or similar, all shades, cash. Well-Ark Well, 34 East 31st.

FURS Wanted—Open for 1,000 dog mouffion beavers, wolves and squirrels; cash at a price. Sipkin-Gorschen, 36 West 25th.

FUR Wanted—Assorted collars and cuffs; also collars; cheap for cash. Fleischer, 28 West 33d.

FURS Wanted—Good quality dog collars, will pay spot cash. Frank & Berse, 132 W. 21st.

FUR Wanted—Beaver, squirrel collars; cash. Dukin Brothers, 135 West 29th St.

GINGHAM Wanted—32-inch low-end especially. M. Cottin, 496 Broadway. Canal 8891.

HAIRLINE Stripe Wanted—Lorraine 4712, black and navy. Pennsylvania 3511.

LACES and Dress Trimmings Wanted—Manufacturer's surplus accumulations. Bestterman, 45 Lispenard. Canal 0365.

LORRAINE Wanted—Hair-line stripes, all shades. S. & S. Goldberg, Longacre 1592.

MOLAIRE Wanted—Lawrence 73, Frankenberg's 1365, American velours. Montrey, 2 East 26th.

MOLAIRES Wanted—Lawrence striped 73, all shades; cash. Ellis, 135 West 26th.

MILANO Wanted—Will buy for spot cash, charmeuse, black and colors, satin canton, satin crepes, rashanas, cantons, taffetas, gros de londre, messalines, chiffon velvets, also novelty and printed silks of every description. Basser's Textile Clearing House, Inc., 34 East 29th. Madison Square 8309.

MILKS Wanted—Satin-faced cantons, 500 pieces. Jess Dress, 333 7th Av.

SWEATERS Wanted—Large jobber open for novelty sweaters in worsted silk and wool mixtures; only reliable manufacturers considered; no agents. 24 Jones st.

SWEATERS Wanted—Ladies' brushed golf sweaters. Chelsea 9648.

VELVERETTES Wanted—Vulliard or immediate cash. Applebaum & Kreiss, 114 West 27th.

VELVETS, Crepes Wanted—Open for quantity, all colors, crepe, Julia, Longacre 0771.

Contracts Wanted.

PAINTING Contractors—(36 machines) for better-class dresses desires connection with reliable jobber who can furnish quantity; will furnish best references, also prices if necessary. H. A., 131 Times.

OFFERINGS TO BUYERS.

Fifteen cents per word each insertion.

CHARMEEN—F. & H.; complete color range; also in piquantine, romsen and patou crepe. Leshaweena 2060.

FURS—Closing out Fall stock; squirrel, beaver, platinum, wolf, Manchurian wolf dressed. Fair Coat Co., 141 West 36th.

COATS—Children's, sizes 2 to 16; all materials; closing out cheap, January sales. Schlossberg, 57 West 28th St.

COATS—500 ladies' stouts and children's; fine and bolivias; close out cheap. Ball Cloak Co., 136 West 36th.

COATS—To close out ridiculously low prices; velvet wear, dressy and pile fabrics. Bisen & Bloch, 149 West 36th.

COATS—With mouffion collars, splendid materials, $11.75. Marshall Semmelman, 17 West 30th St.

COATS—Bolivias, velours, sports and plushes; sacrificing cheap. Progress, 23 West 32d.

COATS, samples; large house closing out new Spring line. 12th floor, 154 West 26th.

ARRIVAL OF BUYERS

Arriving Buyers may register in this column by telephoning Bryant 1000.

AKRON, Ohio—M. O'Neil Co.: Miss C. Sigwald, millinery; 1,115 B'way (H. M. Sostman).

BALTIMORE—Brager's; N. Slaco, shoes; 115 W. 30th (B. F. Levis); Pennsylvania.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Louis Pisitz & D. G. Co.: H. Rosenbaum, basement, ready-to-wear; 115 West 30th (B. F. Levis).

BOSTON—Gilchrist Co.: H. Bloom, squirrel, beaver and wolf colored coats (basement); 366 5th Av., room 602.

BOSTON—Jordan Marsh Co.; upstairs: E. J. Daley, impressive dresses, silk costumes; Mr. Griffin, men's dept.; 433 4th Av.

BUFFALO—J. N. Adam & Co.; Mrs. E. E. Mayo, trimmed hats; 16 W. 32th.

CATSKILL, N. Y.—Miss G. M. Deer, millinery; Continental.

CHICAGO—M. Ainbinder & Co.; M. Ainbinder, children's & Spring dresses, coats; 112 W. 30th (B. F. Levis).

CINCINNATI—J. Loeb Co.; J. Loeb, millinery; 1,261 Broadway (Jos. Heilbron).

CLEVELAND—Hirsch Co.; Miss E. Cohen, Spring dresses; 10 W. 30th (O. Abel).

CLEVELAND—Ames Co.; W. H. Kay, basement; mdse. mgr., coats, dresses; 36 W. 32d (Littman & Storch).

DETROIT—J. L. Hudson Co.; Miss J. Welsh, suits; 235 5th Av. (Retail Research Assn.).

DULUTH, Minn.—Steel's Apparel Shop; Miss D. Smollen, better grade satin canton beaded dresses for special sale; 1,182 B'way (Silverstein Buying Corp.).

GREENVILLE, Miss.—Levi's, Inc.; T. Levi, ready-to-wear; 370 7th Av. (Wm. Gross & Co.).

HARRISBURG—Kaufman's; J. M. Lloyd, dresses (for popular-price sale); 1,150 B'way (F. Lilienthal, Inc.).

HERKIMER, N. Y.—Empire Clothing Co.; H. H. Copeland, clothing; Miss E. Farber, representing: Imperial.

HORNELL, N. Y.—L. & C., Inc.; M. Landman, jobs coats, dresses; 115 West 30th (S. Seiff & Co.).

INDIANAPOLIS—Efroymson & Wolf; Miss H. G. Bidich, jobs women's slip-over sweaters, children's dresses and skirts (for dollar-day sale); 36 W. 32d (Littman & Storch).

KANSAS CITY—Jones Store Co.; T. J. Gibbens, men's furnishings, boys' clothing; C. L. Davis, representing; 22 E. 26th (W. T. Knott).

LAMAR, Col.—Jolton Store; S. Solin, jobs cans; 1,261 B'way (Capital Buying Co.).

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Landres Co.; G. Landres, ladies' ready-to-wear; 370 7th Av. (L. Landres & Co.).

MINNEAPOLIS—Dayton Co.; A. E. Long, draperies; D. M. Scribner, men's, boys' furnishing goods (basement); 225 5th Av. (Retail Research Assn.).

NORFOLK, Va.—Schneer's, Inc.; W. Schneer, jewelry; 170 B'way, Room 1216.

OCONEE, Ga.—Miss L. West, ready-to-wear; Grand.

PENSACOLA, Fla.—D. Kugelman Co.; D. Kugelman, dry goods, notions; Pennsylvania.

PERRY, Ga.—The L. & T. Co.; Mrs. Landman, jobs coats, dresses; 115 West 30th (S. Seiff & Co.).

PHILADELPHIA—Stewart's; Miss Kowitz, coats; Miss Goldman, sweaters; 120 West 32d (A. Fanti).

PHILADELPHIA—Gimbel Bros.; J. F. Cummins, jewelry, silverware, cutlery, Broadway and 23d (New York office), Collingwood.

PITTSBURGH—Frank & Seder, Inc.; H. J. Chambers, jobs fur jacquettes and foxes; Miss R. Simon, jobs waists, sweaters; 1,375 B'way (National Dept. Stores, Inc.).

PITTSBURGH—Kaufmann & Baer Co.; S. E. Racusin, basement millinery; 404 4th Av.

PITTSBURG—Joseph Horne Co.; Miss D. M. Tedrowe, jewelry, silverware, leather goods; 225 5th Av.; Pennsylvania.

POTTSVILLE, Pa.—Arthur's Apparel Shop; M. Tuckerman, coats, dresses; 115 West 30th (S. Seiff & Co.).

RICHMOND, Va.—Thalheimer Bros.; C. F. Woodall, boys' clothing; 332 4th Av. (Kirby, Block & Fischer).

ROXBORO, N. C.—Miss C. Carney, ready-to-wear; Grand.

SAN FRANCISCO—Holm & Nathan; F. M. Borel, millinery; 621 Broadway.

SAN FRANCISCO—W. A. Muller Co.; A. Grana, hats; 506 Broadway; 4th floor; Pennsylvania.

ST. LOUIS—Famous & Barr Co.; Mrs. R. K. Lockhart, ladies' costumes, misses' wear; R. K. Lockhart, coats, suits, furs; 4,116 B'way (E. M. Sostman).

ST. LOUIS—May Dept. Store; Miss E. M. Harbison, ready-to-wear; Pennsylvania.

ST. LOUIS—Rosenthal-Sloan Millinery Co.; M. A. Whitmen, ornaments, novelties; 308 5th Av.; Pennsylvania.

TOLEDO—LaSalle, Koch Co.; Miss A. Munding, coats, dresses; 225 5th Av. (Retail Research Assn.).

TROY, N. Y.—The People's Store; H. Goldfarb, ready-to-wear; Pennsylvania.

Vicksburg, Miss.—House of Fashion; T. Lovt, ready-to-wear; 370 7th Av. (Wm. Gross & Co.).

WHEELING, W. Va.—The Hub; J. Myer, dollar-day mdse.; 117 West 33d (Heffman & Hardman).

WILMINGTON, Del.—Tuckerman's; T. Tuckerman, jobs coats, dresses; 115 West 30th (S. Seiff & Co.).

OFFERINGS TO BUYERS.

Fifteen cents per word each insertion.

COATS, Dresses—Specials for January sales; high lustre bolivias, fur collars and cuffs, silk lined; values to $24.75; today, $14.75; bolivias, $10.75; fur collars, $11.75; velours, fur collars, $8.75, $6.75, $7.75; novelty sport coats, $4.75; stylish canton dresses, $7.75; potrets, $3.75. Emanuel, 1,261 Broadway.

COATS—For January sales; it will pay you to call; Hudson seal plushes and cloths, very large assortment, fur trimmed and plain, all wanted description at sacrificing prices. Singer & Son, 45 West 27th.

COATS—Closing out 2-6 broadcloth, bolivia, velour, chinchilla, polo coats at sacrifice, 108 East 104th. Call only between 11 and 4 daily.

COATS and Suits—Moving to new quarters; closing out balance of stock at rock-bottom prices. A. H. Gittelson, 39 West 29th.

COATS—Platinum collar and cuffs, better materials, $19.75. Bernstein, 35 West 31st.

COATS—Children's; close out very cheap. Famous Cloak, 12 West 18th St.

DRESSES—Before we move our salesrooms we must move our stock to your store; we're selling them at prices that will move them quickly; poplins, silks, cloths to retail profitably at $5, $6, $10. Meyer Bosniak, 40 West 27th.

DRESSES—January sales specials; values that cannot be beat; thousands on the racks; jerseys, novelty stripes; also our Spring line ready for your inspection. Betsy Ross Dress, 119 West 36th. Watkins 9082.

DRESSES—See M. Bernstein first for cotton dresses. The house of extraordinary styles and values. Extensive line of linens, voiles, marquisettes, $5.75-$10.75; immediate delivery. M. Bernstein, 34 West 32d.

DRESSES—Quality dresses at reasonable prices, manufactured on premises. Duchess Dress & Costume Co., 24 West 25th.

DRESSES—Installation, wedding, party dresses; big variety; immediate delivery. George Jacobson, 42 West 26th.

DRESSES—Spring line, ready for jobbers; also big values in silks, velvets, poirets. Criterion, 12 West 21st.

DRESSES—Children's, ginghams, 7-14, $7.50 dozen; immediate delivery. Fazekas & Son, 135 5th Av.

DRESSES—Children's, ginghams, for January sales, $5.60 dozen. Star Mfg. Co., 135 5th Av.

DRESSES—Cantons, other silks, $4.75; sacrificing poirets, $3.35. Progress, 23 West 32d.

DRESSES—Poiret twills, 300; sacrificing low price. Henry Baum, 6 West 18th.

DRESSES—50 party; $6.75; all colors and sizes. Hutner, 141 West 33d.

FURS—Have dark beaver skins for orders; also ready collars, job lots, at sacrifice. Doykos, 56 West 39th. Fitzroy 2185.

SEALINE coats, 48 inches; lowest prices. 400 6th Av., top floor.

FEWER FAILURES HERE LAST YEAR

Total of 2,257 Petitions in Bankruptcy Filed in 1923, Against 2,724 in 1922.

NOT MANY BROKERS CLOSED

But Some of Them Involved Large Sums—Comparative Record for the Past Decade.

A marked decrease in the number and volume of commercial mortalities during the last year was indicated by the records of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, which includes New York and Bronx Counties and the counties adjacent to the Hudson River as far north as Albany.

During the year 2,257 petitions in bankruptcy were filed, compared with 2,724 in 1922, which established the high mark for commercial failures in the southern District of New York. Approximately one-third of the petitions filed were voluntary, and estimates of the aggregate liabilities indicate a marked decrease in the gross liabilities of the failed concerns.

In contrast with the previous two years there were few brokerage failures, although the financial district supplied a few failures involving large sums and providing sensational features. Included in the financial failures of the year were Jones & Baker, the largest firm operating on the New York Curb Market, which failed for about $10,000,000; Khauth, Nachod & Kuhne, one of the oldest banking and brokerage houses in the city, which failed for about $11,000,000; Zimmermann & Forshay, brokers and dealers in foreign exchange, which failed for nearly $5,000,000; Robert P. Marshall & Co., stock brokers and members of the New York Stock Exchange, which failed for over $2,000,000; L. L. Winkelman & Co., Curb brokers, with liabilities of approximately $3,000,000; Scott, Norris & Co., cotton brokers, with liabilities estimated at over a million.

The principal industrial failures during the year were the Columbia Graphophone Manufacturing Company, which failed for over $23,000,000; the Island Refining Corporation of Liberty Street; D. Glaser Dery Corporation, silks, 295 Fifth Avenue, which failed for about $12,000,000; Herzog's Majestic Cloak Company, Inc., 319 Seventh Avenue, which failed for over $1,000,000.

Among the concerns which passed into the hands of receivers in equity actions were the American Writing Paper Company of 25 Broad Street, with estimated liabilities of $13,000,000; the American Fuel Oil and Transportation Company, Inc., of 25 Broadway, capitalized at $30,000,000; D. G. Dery Corporation, silks, 295 Fifth Avenue, with liabilities of $12,000,000; Hudson Valley Portland Cement Company of Albany, N. Y. with liabilities of over $2,000,000; J. M. Gidding & Co., costumes, 724 Fifth Avenue, with liabilities of $1,500,000; Morosco Holding Company, Inc., theatrical and motion picture productions, 217 West Forty-fifth Street, with estimated liabilities of $1,000,000; New York Rubber Company with estimated liabilities of nearly $1,000,000.

The comparative failure record for the past decade follows: 1922, 2,257 petitions in bankruptcy; 1922, 2,724; 1921, 2,355; 1920, 1,503; 1919, 920; 1918, 1,017; 1917, 1,415; 1916, 1,346; 1915, 1,723; 1914, 1,686.

IN FAVOR WITH THE FRENCH MODISTES

Chinese Influence a Factor in the Fabrics and Colorings for the Season.

In discussing the present tendencies in French fabrics, costume details and colors in their relation to the American market, the fashion service department of the Botany Worsted Mills in a special bulletin outlines the following:

"The Chinese influence, now anticipated, the Chinese influence throughout the realm of fabric fashion developments has reached a high degree of artistic elegance. Conservatively received by the American field, it was not rushed into a premature popularity at the start, with an inevitable and abrupt curtailment. It is, therefore, now assuming a sane position in relation to the Spring modes, especially in the typical Chinese color range, which may be regarded as an inspiring influence because of its decorative handling and general becomingness.

"Lacquer red, in both the French and the antique rendition, is particularly emphasized by the French couture for its value in relation to navy and black reps, alpaca, broadcloth and the silk crepes. With white kasha and flannel it is equally important as a sports detail.

"Although much is heard of the essential simplicity of both Riviera and Palm Beach collections, they offer no hint of dullness, the new fabrics making possible a series of fresh and youthfully animated styles. The metal accent is conspicuous in the alpacas, to which one hears constant reference on all sides, and is regarded with special favor in lacquer, jade, the Chinese blues and yellows and, in conjunction with artificial silk, in beautiful patterns upon silk, wool and cotton fabrics.

"Prominent in the list of plaid specialties are the plaid alpacas. These introduce Chinese colors with fine lines of metal and are among the dominant all-silk, silk and fibre and silk and wool alpaca versions. Of these Crapaffa is regarded with special interest at present.

"A material reminiscent of earlier Chinese movements is China silk, which has not been favored by the couturier in many seasons. It is restored to a high position in the list of sports silks because of its timely reappearance in a series of striking plaids and stripes submitted under the name of toile de sole. Another factor in the success of Chinese tendencies is the unqualified vogue of crepe de chine. A new version offers woven stripes in the clear colors of silk similar to men's silk shirtings, which now enjoy an acclaimed success as sports fabrics.

"In evening materials sheer laces, nets, numerous metal flouncings and all-overs are stressed. Chantilly is emphasized and tulle retains the high prestige it established in the early Callot collections.

"In the list of notable Spring colors now recognized as firmly entrenched, navy is everywhere quoted as the leading street shade. Black holds well, but it is anticipated that black in combination with white and with red will find its vogue best upheld in America.

"Combinations especially advocated at present are navy and gold-brown, blue and emerald, blue and crushed berry, blue and scarlet, blue and yellow, tan and scarlet. A clear pink-orange is under strong development, as are several greens of both gray and yellow cast. Rosewood is again in demand. Wherever blues are discussed emphasis is laid upon a soft hyacinth blue. Parma violet is increasing in importance. Tans are stronger than gray at present, and the shade so much favored by French women, blonde, a tone which parallels bisque on American charts, is to be found among the smartest productions in both afternoon and evening dress.

"One notable trend is that of the 'unbleached' shade, formerly associated with kasha as a natural cashmere tone. This influence obtains particularly in the de luxe woolens class. White is generally upheld as the dominant midsummer note, and a list of new whites is included in nearly all showings of crepe de chine, moroxain and satin reversibles.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—A disturbance of considerable intensity was centred over New Mexico Sunday night and moving southeastward, and another was central over Illinois and moving northeastward. In the rear of these disturbances the great area of high pressure and abnormally cold weather from Alaska had overspread the Plains States, the Missouri Valley and the northern and central Rocky Mountain region. The temperature was zero or below Sunday night as far south as Eastern Colorado and Northwestern Kansas and Northwestern Iowa, and was 30 to 40 degrees below zero at Helena and Havre, Mont., and portions of the Canadian Northwest. Precipitation has occurred over the greater portion of the country except the South Atlantic and East Gulf States since Saturday night. It was in the form of snow in New England, the interior of New York, the Plains States, the Rocky Mountains and plateau regions and the upper lake region.

There will be rain Monday in the Middle Atlantic, South Atlantic and East Gulf States; rain changing to snow in the Ohio and Middle Mississippi Valleys, and snow or rain in the lower lake region and the North Atlantic States. On Tuesday the weather will be unsettled with snow in the lower lake region, the Ohio Valley and Tennessee, and rain in the South Atlantic and East Gulf States, probably changing to snow over north portion; rain in the South Atlantic States, and probably snow in the Middle Atlantic and the North Atlantic States.

Much colder weather will overspread the Ohio Valley and Tennessee Monday and Monday night, the East Gulf States Monday night and Tuesday, and the Middle Atlantic and South Atlantic States Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Cold wave warnings have been continued for Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama and the northwestern portions of Georgia and Florida.

Storm warnings are displayed from Delaware Breakwater to Eastport, Me.

Advisory southeast warnings: Storm 10 P. M., Delaware Breakwater to Eastport, Me.; disturbance central over Illinois, moving northeastward will be attended by strong east and southeast winds late tonight or Monday.

COUNTRY-WIDE WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Observations at United States Weather Bureau stations during the twenty-four hours preceding 8 P. M. yesterday:

Station.	Temperature, High.	Low.	Barom., 8 P.M.	Rain, 8 P.M.	Weather.
Abilene	74		29.90	..	Clear
Albany	20	12	30.12	.20	Snow
Atlanta	70		29.90		Cloudy
Atlantic City	46	36	29.98	.12	Cloudy
Baltimore	44	34	29.84		Cloudy
Bismarck	10		30.50	..	Cloudy
Boston	32	20	30.16	..	Snow
Buffalo	30	28	29.98	.06	Cloudy
Charleston	74	56	29.96	..	Cloudy
Chicago	38	38	29.88	..	Rain
Cincinnati	66		29.84		Pt. cl'dy
Cleveland	42	36	29.72	.04	Rain
Denver	4	4	30.14	.02	Snow
Detroit	34	30	29.74	.02	Cloudy
Galveston	68	64	29.96		Cloudy
Helena	22	6	30.28	..	Cloudy
Indianapolis	46	40	29.82	.01	Rain
Jacksonville	76	64	30.04	..	Clear
Kansas City	32	32	29.82	..	Snow
Los Angeles	68	54	29.96	..	Clear
Milwaukee	34	30	29.74	.22	Cloudy
Minneapolis-St. Paul	8	20	30.10	.04	Snow
New Orleans	72	60	29.98	..	Cloudy
New York	38	33	30.02	.00	Rain
Oklahoma	32		29.88	..	Cloudy
Philadelphia	42	34	29.92	.02	Cloudy
Pittsburgh	44	36	29.72	.16	Cloudy
Portland, Me.	24	10	30.06	..	Clear
Portland, Ore.	38		29.86	..	Snow
Salt Lake City	26		29.80		Cloudy
San Antonio	78		29.68	..	Clear
San Diego	64		29.94		Cloudy
San Francisco	50		30.02		Cloudy
Seattle	30		29.98		Cloudy
St. Louis	44	42	29.82		Clear
Washington	44	34	29.84	.01	Cloudy

Northern New England—Snow Monday and probably Tuesday; not much change in temperature.

Southern New England—Snow, sleet or rain Monday. Tuesday snow or rain followed by colder.

Eastern New York—Snow in north and snow, sleet or rain in south portion Monday. Tuesday cloudy and colder, probably snow.

Eastern Pennsylvania—Rain in south and rain, sleet or snow in north portion Monday. Tuesday cloudy and colder; probably snow, much colder Tuesday night.

New Jersey—Rain Monday. Tuesday cloudy and colder, probably snow or rain; much colder Tuesday night.

Western Pennsylvania—Rain in south and rain or snow in north portion Monday. Tuesday snow and colder with a cold wave.

Western New York—Snow or rain Monday. Tuesday snow and colder.

NEW YORK CITY WEATHER RECORD.

Official Temperature.

3 A. M.	34	12 M.	30	6 P. M.	34
6 A. M.	37	1 P. M.	28	7 P. M.	34
9 A. M.	36	2 P. M.	28	8 P. M.	33
9 A. M.	35	3 P. M.	28	9 P. M.	33
10 A. M.	36	4 P. M.	30	10 P. M.	33
11 A. M.	37	5 P. M.	30		

Average temperature yesterday, 36.
Average same date last year, 32.
Average same date for forty-six years, 32.

Barometer, 30.16 at 8 A. M.; 30.02 at 8 P. M.
Humidity, 68 at 8 A. M.; 90 at 8 P. M.
Winds at 8 A. M., east, velocity 6 miles; at 8 P. M., east, velocity 24 miles.
Weather cloudy at 8 A. M.; rain at 8 P. M.

Weather in Cotton and Grain States.

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30—Forecast:

North Carolina and South Carolina—Rain Monday and Tuesday, probably changing to snow in west Tuesday; colder Monday night; much colder Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Georgia—Rain; colder Monday night in north and central; Tuesday rain and colder in south and rain or snow and much colder in north, cold wave in northwest.

Florida—Generally fair Monday; Tuesday local rains; colder Tuesday in north and central; much colder Tuesday night.

Extreme Northwest Florida—Rain with mild temperature Monday; Tuesday rain and much colder; cold wave Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Alabama—Rain Monday, colder in northwest; Tuesday cloudy and much colder, probably rain in south and snow or rain in north; cold wave Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Mississippi—Rain Monday; much colder Monday afternoon or night and on Tuesday, with a cold wave; Tuesday cloudy, probably snow in north, snow or rain in central and rain in extreme south.

Tennessee—Rain and colder in east, and rain, probably turning into snow and much colder in west Monday; cold wave Monday night and Tuesday; Tuesday cloudy, possibly snow.

Fire Record.

A.M.

12:20—209 E. 19 St.; C. Hanlen.....Not given
1:10—29 E. 28 St.; B. Lewis.....Slight
1:35—2,421 Cretens Av., the Bronx; the Missiel.....Not given
3:50—1,745 Amsterdam Av.; M. Lupper.....Not given
4:26—2,447 Y Av.; E. Rose.....Not given
11:50—39 W. 129 St.; E. Jones.....None

P.M.

12:45—584 Broadway; Torrenberg & Son.....Not given
1:30—108 St., Ft. Washington Av.; tug Schoner.....Trifling
5:30—172 St. and Wadsworth Av.; Cleveland Construction Co.....Not given
7:00—516 E. 94 St.; J. Philbrick.....Slight
7:45—608 E. 6 St.; not given.....Not given
8:35—301 E. 38 St.; C. Tuerello.....Not given
11:20—Brown Place and Faehner End Lane; not given.....Not given

GROUNDS FOR OPTIMISM.

Why the Coming Year Ought to Be One of Good Business.

Optimism should be the governing factor of business men in looking into 1924, according to Victor W. Sincere, President of the National Department Stores, Inc. This corporation owns ten department stores in various parts of the country that do an annual aggregate business of more than $70,000,000, and has its executive offices at 1,372 Broadway.

"We are about to enter an era when people can be sanely optimistic," said Mr. Sincere yesterday. "That 1924 is a Presidential election year has been discounted. Business men learned in 1920 to guard against large stocks of goods, and there will be no merchandise liquidation this coming year. Merchants will be compelled to buy, and while business during the first three months of 1924 may not measure up to that of a year ago, the increased business that will follow will more than make up for any early falling off in trade.

"Retail merchants will use great caution in making commitments into 1924, more frequent purchases is the order of the day, and a rapid turnover is what every merchant must watch out for. In industrial centres the influence of seasonal conditions will be apparent in the early part of the new year, but in rural districts, where conditions are rapidly improving, business will show immediate increase.

"There are clear-cut signs that, when the books are closed for 1924 they will show a satisfactory business for Wholesaler and retailer. There is a sound Governmental program to be carried out and 'big business' is satisfied with the general outlook of things."

Salesmen

Experienced Infants' knit goods man who has a large following with New York City jobbers, mail order and large department stores; trading agency connection; give full particulars; only man who can show big results need apply. Box 264 Easchester; 10 East 40th.

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Low water	7:51	8:13	8:24	8:44	10:22	10:16

THE SUN.

Rises. A.M.	Sets. P.M.
7:29	4:28

Incoming Steamships Carrying Mail

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Steamer.	From	Date.
Fastness	Port Limon	Dec. 22

DUE TODAY.

Martinique	Savanilla	Dec. 19
Adriatic	Liverpool	Dec. 21
Santa Elisa	Valparaiso	Dec. 10
Fort Hamilton	Bermuda	Dec. 26
Fort Victoria	Penang	Dec. 28
San Lorenzo	San Juan	Dec. 24
Lake Flattery	Cape Haiti	Dec. 24

DUE TOMORROW.

Byron	Patras	Dec. 14
Mongolia	Hamburg	Dec. 20

DUE TOMORROW.

Steamer.	From	Date.
Tyrrhenia	Hamburg	Dec. 20
Sulia	La Guaira	Dec. 24
Bremen	Bremen	Dec. 19
Mount Clay	Hamburg	Dec. 22
Albert Ballin	Hamburg	Dec. 22
Orca	Hamburg	Dec. 19

DUE WEDNESDAY.

Rochambeau	Havre	Dec. 27
Goldsland	Vigo	Dec. 11
Minnekahda	Hamburg	Dec. 23
Manchuria	Colon	Dec. 26
President Garfield	London	Dec. 23

Other Incoming Steamships

ARRIVED YESTERDAY.

Steamer.	From	Date.
Nevisian	Leaden	Dec. 14
Cheyenne	Rotterdam	Dec. 14
Wyneliffe	Leith	Dec. 14
William Penn	Hamburg	Dec. 20
Wekika	Bristol	Dec. 8
City of Chattanooga	Savannah	Dec. 27
Antwerp	Jacksonville	Dec. 27
Agwenoth	Colon	Dec. 21
T. J. Williams	Colon	Dec. 21
Cape Hinlopen	Colon	Dec. 21

DUE TODAY.

Liberta	Cadiz	Dec. 6
Syria	Gibraltar	Dec. 12
Palo Villano	Portimao	Dec. 12
Ardmore	Colon	Dec. 19

DUE TOMORROW.

Steamer.	From	Date.
Chicago City	Queenstown	Dec. 13
Eglantina	Rotterdam	Dec. 13

DUE TOMORROW.

Pearsum	Algiers	Dec. 13
Cristfield	Gibraltar	Dec. 13
Edward L. Doheny	Tampico	Dec. 24

DUE WEDNESDAY.

Bankdale	Barcelona	Dec. 13
Cadillac	Hull	Dec. 15
Chilean Prince	Tyne	Dec. 21
Dilwyn	Colon	Dec. 26
Eastern Moon	Colon	Dec. 13
Francisco	Antwerp	Dec. 16
Lehigh	Colon	Dec. 24

Outgoing Steamships Carrying Mail

Steamer.	Destination.	Mails Close.	Vessel Sail.	Carries Mail For
Canopic	Hamburg	9:30 A.M.	12:00 M.	Germany.
Eastern Glen, Cape Town		10:00 A.M.	12:30 M.	South Africa (specially addressed).
Eastern Star, Helsingfors		9:00 A.M.	12:00 M.	Finland (specially addressed).
Bonheur	Buenos Aires	12:30 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	Santos, Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay (especially addressed).
Romeo, Port Said		12:00 M.	2:00 P.M.	Egypt (specially addressed).

SAIL WEDNESDAY.

Pres. Monroe,	London	8:00 A.M.	12:00 M.	Europe, Africa, West Asia. (Great Britain, Ireland, Germany, South Africa, Sierra Leone specially addressed.)
Slyndendyk, Rotterdam		8:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Netherlands (specially addressed).
Port Victoria, Hamilton		7:30 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Bermuda.
Matanzas, Santa Marta		9:00 A.M.	12:00 M.	Canal Zone Panama, Salvador, Colombia, Ecuador. (Honduras specially addressed.)
Esperanza,	Tampico	8:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M.	Bahamas, Inagua, Fortune Islands. (Cuba and

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Furnished—East Side.

8TH AV., 28.
Going to Europe; will sublease to persons with highest references only, my completely furnished 3-room housekeeping apartment; baby grand piano, victrola, Persian rugs, &c. Call Stuyvesant 9456, or inquire Apartment 3H on premises.

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90TH, 35 EAST—Two rooms, bath, kitchenette, Victrola; $150. Bedroom Square 10026.

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60TH, 45 EAST—Spacious, beautiful apartment, two bedrooms. Call afternoons, Regent 2804.

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11TH, 64 WEST—Elegantly furnished bachelor's apartment; 2 rooms and bath. Enrico and Pagliori.

16TH, 51 WEST (Old Chelsea)—Charming two rooms, $65 to 125; Colonial; quaint fireplaces, steam; attractive restaurant; artistic professional people.

81ST, 4 WEST (WOLCOTT HOTEL)—PARLOR, BEDROOM, BATH, $7 TO $8 PER DAY; $45 TO $50 PER WEEK.

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Elevator apartments, 1, 2 and 3 rooms and baths, showers; kitchen, kitchenette; all newly furnished and redecorated; $20 to $50 weekly. Longacre 8760.

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69TH ST., 245 WEST—1 and 2 room apartments, bath and kitchenette; $65 monthly up.

69TH ST., 19 WEST (Congress Hotel)—One-two room suites; special rates; references.

69TH, 11 WEST—One, two room apartments; all conveniences; select house; owner.

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One, two room suites, very reasonable; one suite, suitable doctor, dentist, hairdresser.

72D, 119 WEST (H. TELEARLTON)—VERY DESIRABLE TWO ROOMS AND BATH, FULL HOTEL SERVICE, RESTAURANT; WEEKLY OR MONTHLY. ENDICOTT 8540.

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High-class furnished apartments, 2 rooms, bath, maid service; $80 up monthly.

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BACHELOR hotel apartments, 160 Remsen St., just finished; one room and bath suites, attractively furnished, with complete service; Murphy "in-a-Door" beds; every comfort and up-to-date convenience; 9 minutes to Wall Street; references required. James B. Fisher Co. Main 7206.

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A few attractively furnished four, five and six room garden apartments with one and two baths are offered for rent for varying periods by tenant-owners in this delightful community who are temporarily absent. For particulars phone the Queensboro Corporation, Renting Department, Havemeyer 2300.

Unfurnished—East Side.

2D AV., 182—Elegant parlor floor; best location on 2d Av., suitable for dentist, physician or other business.

3D AV., 1,928 (next to corner 106th St.)—Five rooms, first floor; ideal for dentist or other business. Phone Lehigh 6550 or apply S. Guggenheim on premises.

27TH, 39 EAST—3-4-room elevator apartments, all improvements. Superintendent.

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COUPLE desire room with bath; no other guests; must be reasonable; state particulars. K 55 Times.

Unfurnished.

BUSINESS MAN, middle aged, wants unfurnished light room, west of Washington Square, with strictly private family; reference exchanged. G 519 Times.

BOARDERS WANTED.

East Side.

EAST 67 EAST—Handsomely furnished large rooms; southern exposure; excellent table; references.

EAST ST. (at Lexington Av.)—Hotel Rutledge for women only; one room and meals, $18 up; elevator, telephone &c.; full hotel service; newly decorated.

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West Side.

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Attractive homes, unique in a city like New York; group capacity 250, permitting us to furnish service and conveniences found in the residential hotel; moderate accommodations, moderately priced; booklet.

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ROOM and board, North Shore, L. I., 20 minutes to 59th Station; business man only; $50 weekly, including station service; accommodations for three gentlemen; references. Phone Bayside 2428.

BOARD WANTED.

YOUNG man wants large furnished room with meals in quiet, refined home with middle-aged married couple; must be near express station; east or west side, or Brooklyn Heights section; no other boarders; state full particulars and rate weekly. G 475 Times.

COUNTRY BOARD.

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Westchester County.

RIVERDALE RESTIdeal home for aged, invalids and chronic cases. 202 Riverdale Yonkers, N. Y. Yonkers 4017.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Female.

ASSISTANT MANAGER, tea-room or cafeteria training, experience. G 437 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, experienced double entry; 10 years' experience; controlling accounts, monthly financial statements; full charge; references. K 68 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, ten years' experience; competent take complete charge; trial balance, profit and loss statements, &c. K 61 Times.

BOOKKEEPER-STENOGRAPHER, thorough, steady, entry, trial balances; accurate, absolutely. K 35 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, part time; write up books daily or weekly; trial balance; reasonable. Y 286 Times Downtown.

BOOKKEEPER and typist, 6 years' experience; efficient connections; Sabbath observer. G 526 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, correspondent, ten years' experience, employed now, desires change. Y 546 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, high school graduate; three years' experience; trial balances. K 61 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, expert, highest credentials, full charge; Sabbath observer. G 525 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, capable taking full charge; best references; age 20. G 530 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, experienced trial balance, knowledge of stenography. Fitzroy 5643.

BUYER, dresses, blouses, knit goods, millinery; young lady, experienced resident buyer's office, seeks reliable connection. S 75 Times.

DRESSMAKER, fashionable, wishes customers at home. Mrs. Florence, 0291 Morningside.

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT—Young woman, thoroughly experienced and competent, desires position with technical magazine. F 597 Times Downtown.

GIRL, clerical work, knowledge typewriting; five afternoons (1:30 to 5:30); $6. Stuyvesant 9305.

GIRL, colored, wishes position cook or general housework. Phone Morningside 3870.

GIRL, colored, light housework small family. Phone Bradhurst 2709.

GIRL, colored, wants part-time work. Phone Harlem 4418.

HOUSEKEEPER—By educated, honorable woman, over 40 position managing household where own interests are considered; good plain cook; aged couple; city or country. K 63 Times.

HOUSEKEEPER, German, middle-aged, with 9-year boy; well-bred, desires position; good cook; no laundry. Apply Switcher, 359 East 19th. Tel. Gramercy 3860.

HOUSEKEEPER, general, wishes position; references, colored. 308 West 110th St. A. Henry.

HOUSEWORKER, colored girl, part time afternoons only. Phone Audubon 6780.

HOUSEWORK, half or whole time. Call 349 East Av., care Williams.

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NURSE, trained, German; infant or invalid. Wrasse, 967 Wyckoff Av., Ridgewood, Brooklyn.

SECRETARY-STENOGRAPHER, wide experience, well trained, capable, intelligent, pleasing personality, executive ability, seeks responsible position. D 37 Times.

SECRETARY and bookkeeper, competent, complete charge; thoroughly experienced. K 62 Times.

SECRETARY, COMMERCIAL EXPERIENCED; EXCELLENT REFERENCES. K 57 TIMES.

STENOGRAPHER, knowledge bookkeeping, shorthand, high school graduate; four years' experience; $25. Levy, 57 East 97th St. University 2859.

STENOGRAPHER, experienced, intelligent, capable, energetic; excellent references; available immediately. J 588 Times.

STENOGRAPHER with Milling experience; capable taking charge; wants and references. W 970 Times Downtown.

STENOGRAPHER, five years' experience; excellent references; salary $25 per week. 7 Lafayette 1896.

STENOGRAPHER—Part time, 2 to 5:30; varied experience, broker. Telephone Interstate 6154.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Male.

STENOGRAPHER-SECRETARY, six years' experience; capable, neat and accurate. K 50 Times.

STENOGRAPHER-TYPIST, capable, dependable; will start low. Kate, 2 Sumner Av., Brooklyn.

STENOGRAPHER, expert, alert; seven years' sales credit experience. Cathedral 7060, Apt. 5L.

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TEACHER, college graduate; public school methods; ladies', children. Coaching, 283 West 125th St.

TWO sisters, quiet and refined, North Ireland Protestant, wish situation, together with private family; experienced in all branches of housework; highest references; will go out of town. K 2462 Times Annex.

INTELLIGENT lady, German, position bank or doctor's office. A 315 New York Times Brooklyn Branch.

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HOUSEWORKERS—Neat colored girls, investigated references, wish places; other Southern help supplied. Lincoln Industrial Exchange Agency, 214 West 39th. Phone Columbus 8356. Established 1895.

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BOOKKEEPERS, stenographers, high grade, furnished free. Standard Employment Agency. Longacre 5004-9656.

TINKA ANDRESEN Scandinavian Agency, 3,260 Broadway (152d). Endicott 7740-7741.

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ACCOUNTANT, junior, experienced, university graduate; capable of handling small audits, desires C. P. A. connection. G 521 Times.

ACCOUNTANT, junior, 22, university senior, 18 months' experience, efficient typist, desires connection with certified firm. J 598 Times.

ACCOUNTANT, junior, university graduate, six years' business experience, desires certified connection; best references. K 4 Times.

ACCOUNTANT-BOOKKEEPER, public accounting experience; no objection temporary; Bronx or Roland, Columbus 10134.

ACCOUNTANT, university graduate, public and bookkeeping experience; $30; auditor. A 306 Times.

ACCOUNTANT, semi-senior, three years' experience, desires permanent connection. G 465 Times.

AGENT, college graduate, 28, returning to California, wishes to represent legitimate concern; permanent residence; good connections. 81 N. Y. Times Brooklyn Branch.

ARTIST: good letterer and general commercial work; position. C 488 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, 34 years old, 2 years' experience, neat, accurate, best references. Smith, Lawrence 1560. 1,806 Union Av., Bronx.

BOOKKEEPER-STPIST 21; VARIED EXPERIENCE; ACCOUNTING STUDENT. AUDUBON 9356. P 124 TIMES.

BOOKKEEPER, accountant, office manager, married, takes full charge, desires change after Jan. 1. G 473 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, also typist, (20), high school graduate, desires position. C 397 Times.

BUTLER, Holland, thirty years, wife French chambermaid, boy five years, wants steady position, city or country; Holland clean and hard worker, absolutely honest, trusting; knowledge fine dinner parties. G 516 Times.

BUYER, assistant, resident buying office experience; specialty ladies' blouses and skirts; also general ready-to-wear experience; salary open. C 376 Times.

CARPENTER—All branches construction, desires results, minimum expense. Ring Graves, Bayside, phone 1756.

CHAUFFEUR, mechanic, refined American, 33, wishes position with private family; will go anywhere; drive any make car; good mechanical experience on all makes of cars; references. Herbert L. M. Spratley, 414 West 136th St. city. Broadhurst 5393.

CHAUFFEUR — Employer going abroad, wishes to place his chauffeur; competent, trustworthy young married man, careful city driver. G. Robison St. Hedlund, North Columbus Av. cor. Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Hillcrest 3217.

CHAUFFEUR, light colored; desires position; competent, reliable, willing, useful; 10 years' experience; excellent reference former employer. Lalon Jones, 9 West 129th St. Apartment 6. Harlem 1187.

CHAUFFEURS—High-class private chauffeurs supplied free. Society of Professional Automobile Engineers, 153-159 West 44th St. Columbus 6516-6519.

CHAUFFEUR, mechanic (colored); wishes position with private family; 7 years' reference. Call Audubon 8731. Smith.

CHAUFFEUR, private, married; 12 years' experience; references; careful driver; oblixing. Hackett, Harlem 9124.

CHAUFFEUR, mechanic (colored), wishes position with private family; 5 years' reference. Circle 6168, Hunt.

CHAUFFEUR (colored), mechanic, wishes position; long experience; any car; reference. Bradhurst 1764.

CHAUFFEUR-MECHANIC, Japanese, hardy man, with excellent reference. George, Murray Hill 8396.

CHAUFFEUR—Colored, experienced, 5 years last position. Slocum, 219 West 142d St., care Owens.

CHAUFFEUR-MECHANIC, colored, all repairs; city, country; references. West 136 West 134th.

CHEF, all-around, colored; knows all branches; references. Sampson, 1,700 Park Av.

CHEMIST, young man; toilet preparations, laboratory work; moderate wage; personal formulas. K. S., 402 Times.

CORRESPONDENT—Dutchman, 30, educated, broad business experience, English, German, French, Dutch, Esperanto, thoroughly experienced machinery, tool buyer, desires change; indifferent where. L. 325 Times.

EXECUTIVE, sales manager experience, wholesale and retail jewelry and optical lines, proficient correspondent and knowledge of mail order business. X 2435 Times Annex.

IMPORT AND EXPORT

Executive with 15 years experience in South America, several years in England and Germany, seeks position; broad general knowledge of merchandising field; speaks perfect Spanish, English and German; American, age 36, single. G 525 Times.

MAN, progressive and efficient, holding managerial position for the past 8 years with a large leather goods concern, desires to make a change; strictest references. G 511 Times.

MAN (34), single, American, wide experience as accountant and executive, desires employment; speaks Spanish, French. K 12 Times.

MAN, 40, best references, wants position, experienced packer and shipper. E. Marman, care Ancrofts, 204 East 53d.

OPTICAL SALES REPRESENTATIVE, well known to optical trade, wishes connection with manufacturers of optical goods for Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and the East; only strong lines of Zyloite frames, oxfords, lenses, cases, &c., from first class manufacturers will be considered; commission basis. H 777 Times Downtown.

RADIO MAN, 12 years' commercial experience, familiar with Western Electric public address system. K 48 Times.

SALESMAN—Married man, age 34, capable, energetic, desires responsible position; salary or drawing account only considered; Telephone Stanmore 6905 or write F. J., R., F 663 Times Downtown.

SALESMAN, specialty; 10 years' successful sales experience National Cash Registers, others equal reputations. B 1134 Times Harlem.

SALESMAN, experienced grocery or kindred line, wishes position reliable house; city, traveling; salary. Box 20, 1,060 3d Av.

SALESMAN, Southern territory; lighting fixtures, lamps, glass; experienced. G 446 Times.

SALESMAN, ambitious, 25, 5 years' experience, desires connection. G 441 Times.

SECRETARY-STENOGRAPHER DESIRES ASSOCIATION WITH SOLID ORGANIZATION, REQUIRING STENOGRAPHER AND CORRESPONDENT CAPABLE OF PROMOTION TO REAL EXECUTIVE POSITION; SALARY $35. B 1135 TIMES HARLEM.

SHIPPING CLERK, 30, radio experience, strong, willing, intelligent, wishes steady position. K 59 Times.

YOUNG German wants office work; good education; salary no object. Simon, 311 East 231st St.

YOUNG MAN (21), well educated and pleasing personality; office and sales experience; thorough knowledge office routine; can walk in on incoming trade. Intelligently well recommended. G 446 Times.

YOUNG MAN, executive, responsible, possess executive ability, has office in Bowling Building, desires proposition. F 630 Times Downtown.

YOUNG MAN, 26, reliable, desires position affording opportunity for advancement; highest references. Wilking, 3,726 Harway Av., Brooklyn.

YOUNG MAN, 23, ambitious, desires connection; reliable concern, where hard work will gain advancement. Y 919 Times Downtown.

YOUNG MAN, intelligent, conscientious, desires connection with reliable house offering advancement; best reference. J 599 Times.

YOUNG MAN, 40, best references, wants position, experienced packer and shipper. E. Marman, care Ancrofts, 204 East 53d.

YOUNG MAN, 22, knowledge of drawing, would like to get a position with advertising concern as a beginner. J 546 Times.

YOUNG MAN, 26, well educated, college and office experience, four years with last concern. E 1262 Times Downtown.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

BOOKKEEPER—Wholesale lumber experience preferred; work heavy; must have at least 3 years' experience, accurate and rapid; full knowledge necessary in making up all Government papers, including tax returns; good place for right person; references required; give salary wanted. K 47 Times.

BOOKKEEPER, one who is capable of taking full charge complete; set books; must have initiative and knowledge; importing; bring references. Samuel Gordon, 95 Madison Av.

BOOKKEEPER - STENOGRAPHER, young lady, experienced, capable taking complete charge of books in small business; salary $25; state religion, qualifications. S 68 Times.

BOOKKEEPER - STENOGRAPHER—One experienced in advertising or printing office preferred; state age, experience and salary. W 984 Times Downtown.

BOOKKEEPER, young girl with knowledge of stenography; salary $16. Apply Apex Watch Case Manufacturing Co., 113 Fulton St.

BOOKKEEPER, experienced, take charge set of books; state reference and salary expected. Box 109, 205 Fulgera Bldg.

BOOKKEEPER'S ASSISTANT, accounts payable experience required. Apply John David, Broadway and 226 St.

BUYER for women's coat and dress department store in Eastern Pennsylvania; state full particulars as to experience and salary expected in first letter. X 2424 Times Annex.

CALCULATION MACHINE OPERATOR, experienced, familiar with Burroughs machine; able to do clerical work; in office of large Brooklyn manufacturing establishment; hours 8-4:30; 8 to 12:15 Saturday; reply, giving experience and salary expected. Box 247, Realservice, 15 East 40th.

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DESIGNER.

Wonderful opportunity for right party to connect with large, reputable house; must be an up-to-date and talented designer on ladies' popular-priced novelties, cotton and silk underwear. Apply L. Cashman, 119 West 24th.

DESIGNER ON NEGLIGEES; MUST BE THOROUGHLY EXPERIENCED AND HAVE ORIGINAL STYLES. WRITE, GIVING FULL PARTICULARS AND NAMES OF FORMER EMPLOYERS. E. W., 139 TIMES.

DESIGNER, EXPERIENCED ON POPULAR PRICED LADIES' NECKWEAR; EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO RIGHT PARTY. PORTER EMBROIDERY CO., 125 57TH AV.

DRESSMAKERS' FITTER. Wanted—Have good offering for one thoroughly experienced high class gowns; strictly confidential. K 46 Times.

FILE CLERK, expert only; location Stamford. Y 2152 Times Annex.

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GOVERNESS for country, refined and young; must be able to take full care of two school children, teach French, aid with music, mend and sew; good disciplinarian; happy disposition. Y 1187. reference required. F 682 Times Downtown.

GRADUATE nurse, Jewish Orphanage; institutional experience essential; good salary and maintenance. Apply 274 East 2d St.

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Young lady to act as head of stock for dress department of large specialty store; must have previous experience with department or specialty store; wonderful opportunity for right party.

MARTIN'S,
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HOUSEMAID wanted, white, efficient, German preferred. Apply with references Monday morning, 187 East 82d.

HOUSEWORKER, white, wanted; good cook; no washing; excellent references. 6 611 Times.

MAN (34), single, American, wide experience as accountant and executive, desires employment; speaks Spanish, French. K 12 Times.

MAN, 40, best references, wants position, experienced packer and shipper. E. Marman, care Ancrofts, 204 East 53d.

OPTICAL SALES REPRESENTATIVE, well known to optical trade, wishes connection with manufacturers of optical goods for Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and the East; only strong lines of Zyloite frames, oxfords, lenses, cases, &c., from first class manufacturers will be considered; commission basis. H 777 Times Downtown.

RADIO MAN, 12 years' commercial experience, familiar with Western Electric public address system. K 48 Times.

SALESMAN—Married man, age 34, capable, energetic, desires responsible position; salary or drawing account only considered; Telephone Stanmore 6905 or write F. J., R., F 663 Times Downtown.

SALESMAN, specialty; 10 years' successful sales experience National Cash Registers, others equal reputations. B 1134 Times Harlem.

SALESMAN, experienced grocery or kindred line, wishes position reliable house; city, traveling; salary. Box 20, 1,060 3d Av.

SALESMAN, Southern territory; lighting fixtures, lamps, glass; experienced. G 446 Times.

SALESMAN, ambitious, 25, 5 years' experience, desires connection. G 441 Times.

SECRETARY-STENOGRAPHER DESIRES ASSOCIATION WITH SOLID ORGANIZATION, REQUIRING STENOGRAPHER AND CORRESPONDENT CAPABLE OF PROMOTION TO REAL EXECUTIVE POSITION; SALARY $35. B 1135 TIMES HARLEM.

SHIPPING CLERK, 30, radio experience, strong, willing, intelligent, wishes steady position. K 59 Times.

YOUNG German wants office work; good education; salary no object. Simon, 311 East 231st St.

YOUNG MAN (21), well educated and pleasing personality; office and sales experience; thorough knowledge office routine; can walk in on incoming trade. Intelligently well recommended. G 446 Times.

YOUNG MAN, executive, responsible, possess executive ability, has office in Bowling Building, desires proposition. F 630 Times Downtown.

YOUNG MAN, 26, reliable, desires position affording opportunity for advancement; highest references. Wilking, 3,726 Harway Av., Brooklyn.

YOUNG MAN, 23, ambitious, desires connection; reliable concern, where hard work will gain advancement. Y 919 Times Downtown.

YOUNG MAN, intelligent, conscientious, desires connection with reliable house offering advancement; best reference. J 599 Times.

YOUNG MAN, 22, knowledge of drawing, would like to get a position with advertising concern as a beginner. J 546 Times.

YOUNG MAN, 26, well educated, college and office experience, four years with last concern. E 1262 Times Downtown.

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thoroughly experienced, for mid-year time in high-class ladies' ready-to-wear store. Write or call Wednesday.

ROBINSON, 21 WEST 42D.

SALESLADY, experienced in coat and dress stores; excellent opportunity; The London, 78 West 125th.

SECRETARY-STENOGRAPHER, Christian firm; law experience essential; pay capable of taking also German duration preferred; good opportunity for right party. Dr. J. A. Schwarzmann, 270 4th Av.

SECRETARY in girls' school, near city; mature woman, good personality, rapid shorthand and typist; salary $75, board and room. Y 2144 Times Annex.

STENOGRAPHER, typist and bookkeeper wanted; must be experienced and well recommended; good salary and steady position. Apply Hebrew National Orphan Home, 407 Tuckahoe Road, Yonkers.

STENOGRAPHER and typist, by firm of certified public accountants; one familiar with financial reports and handling work; state age and experience. M 239 Times.

STENOGRAPHER wanted in busy downtown law office; state age, education, experience and salary desired. F 674 Times Downtown.

STENOGRAPHER and general office assistant, knowledge of French; state salary and experience. W 972 Times Downtown.

STENOGRAPHER, experienced and intelligent, capable of taking charge of office. Call real estate office, 54 West 72d.

STENOGRAPHER, experienced, in busy law office; permanent position. Call Room 507, 230 5th Av.

TELEPHONE operator, small switchboard, alert girl, also to do typing. S 67 Times.

TYPIST—Young woman, 20 to 22 years of age, some high school training preferred; rapid, accurate touch operator with previous clerical experience; good opportunity for competent worker; salary $20; write fully. C 1021 Times Annex.

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JEWISH publication in Brooklyn can use services of several men and women to canvas subscribers and obtain information from organizations and private persons; state detailed experience; salary and commission. X 2690 Times Annex.

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wanted by concern manufacturing nationally known article of chemical equipment. Must be interested in research work, possess originality, resourcefulness, and capable of hard work. A real opportunity in advance and capitalization for live wire; graduate from recognized technical school. Write, giving age, education and experience. Y 1191 Times Annex.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

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SHOE department for rent in up-to-date women's wear specialty shop in the heart of the Fulton St. shopping district. Call Mr. W., Main 7225.

Business in 1923 and 1924

Next Tuesday, January 1, the Financial Section of The New York Times will summarize business progress in the United States during 1923 and forecast the probable trend of activities in industry, finance and commerce for 1924. The principal financial markets of Europe—London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna and Rome, will be included in this forecast.

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PLEA FOR LEGAL AID TO DEFEND THE POOR

District Attorney Banton Asks Support for Volunteer Defenders' Branch.

PRAISES THE MOVEMENT

Says More Free Lawyers Are Needed in Cases Before General Sessions.

District Attorney Banton yesterday issued an appeal for financial support for the Voluntary Defenders' Committee, a branch of the Legal Aid Society, engaged in defending persons without means when arraigned in General Sessions. The work has been conducted for several years by Lewis E. Collings and Louis Fabricant, lawyers, representing the committee, but the prosecutor says that the staff of defenders should be increased and better facilities for protecting the poor from injustice in the criminal courts be provided through increased subscriptions.

"Contributions have kept it alive and the work that it has accomplished is truly commendable," the statement read in part. "The committee retains the best of legal talent and supplies the lawyers thus retained with such clerical help as will enable them to ascertain the facts in each case. The wealthiest defendant cannot secure better legal assistance than is accorded to the poor person who has assigned for his defense the attorney of the Voluntary Defenders' Committee, except in this regard: That the wealthy defendant may resort to tricks and devices to defeat the law, while the counsel of the Voluntary Defenders' Committee seek to know the truth and advise their clients accordingly.

"So careful are the lawyers of this committee that the District Attorney has found it safe to rely implicitly upon any recommendations that they make. This is a decided advantage for their clients. If the defendant is guilty, this committee can secure for him the most advantageous plea that the indictment will permit. If he is not guilty, the facts which lead the committee to believe in his innocence are paid before the District Attorney and the defendant is discharged without a trial. This committee has done more to maintain the ideal of the District Attorney, that no guilty person should escape prosecution and yet that no innocent person should be unjustly accused, than any other organization that I know."

Mr. Banton gives a resumé of the work done by the committee in the last year, showing that 460 persons were represented in the criminal courts. He added that fifty-five were discharged on the recommendation of the lawyers.

"At present the committee has only two lawyers," he explained. "There is a need of more. There are three prison sessions each month of the Court of General Sessions, and there should be one representative of the committee in each of them. About one out of every three complaints that is received by the District Attorney is not criminal but civil in its character.

"It would be a splendid idea, if the Legal Aid Society had funds sufficient to have some one assigned to the Voluntary Defenders Committee whose duty it would be to attend strictly to civil cases. We make too much distinction in this country between civil and criminal cases. In the Continental European countries, the same court, in the same action, disposes of both issues and assesses the civil liability and the criminal penalty. In our system, the same set of facts may create both a civil and criminal liability and separate trials may result.

"I should like to see the financial backing of the Voluntary Defenders Committee so increased that its professional staff could be doubled during the coming year and the number of cases assigned to its counsel might be increased. I am informed that a campaign soon will be opened to increase the financial support of the committee and that Clarence H. Kelsey of the Title Guarantee and Trust Company, 176 Broadway, has been selected as campaign Treasurer.

5 CENTS FOR EVENING POST.

Cyrus H. K. Curtis Says News Service Will Be Enlarged.

Cyrus H. K. Curtis, who recently purchased The Evening Post, said last night that the price of the newspaper under his ownership and management would be 5 cents a copy. This is an increase of two cents.

The Post also will appear in an entirely new type dress and there will be greatly enlarged foreign, domestic and local news services. The number of pages will be increased to twenty-four or more.

Asked about a report that all older employes of The Post would be placed on the same status as veteran Curtis employes, Mr. Curtis said that this phase of the transfer had not yet been completely gone into. The mechanical equipment of the newspaper will be supplemented. Features appearing in The Public Ledger and Evening Ledger of Philadelphia, other Curtis newspapers, will appear in The Evening Post.

COOLIDGE APPROVES WHEAT CROP CONTROL

Also Encourages Organization of Farmers in a Letter to the Wheat Council.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Reduction of America's wheat acreage to insure against overproduction is endorsed by President Coolidge in a letter made public today by the Wheat Council of the United States.

The President's letter, addressed to Congressman Sydney Anderson of Minnesota, President of the Wheat Council, expresses the conviction that farmers would benefit by forming organizations and associations through which it would be possible for them to deal with the underlying problems of agriculture.

He expresses the belief also that the movement to increase the demand for wheat food products would result in much benefit.

"The work of the Wheat Council of the United States has interested me greatly," the President's letter said, "and I am writing to say that I believe a great practical benefit is likely to derive from it. The effort, in an organized and systematic way, to establish such measure of control over the wheat acreage as will measurably insure against overproduction is altogether to be commended. Almost every important business except agriculture has trade organizations and associations through which it is possible to deal with such vitally important matters. Quite obviously the business of agricultural production would benefit by the same methodical approach to the underlying problems which it must always confront. It seems apparent, too, that much benefit should come from an organized and efficient move to increase the demand for wheat products through the established methods of business exploitation as successfully employed in marketing other staples."

SEIZE THREE IN PLOT TO MURDER PRINCE MAX

Bavarians, Arrested Near His Home on Lake Constance, Are Held on Suspicion.

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By Wireless to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

BERLIN, Dec. 30—Three men have been arrested at Salem, on Lake Constance, on suspicion of being engaged in a plot to assassinate Prince Max of Baden at his home there.

In answer to an inquiry telephoned today by THE NEW YORK TIMES correspondent Prince Max said:

"All I can say is that three young men who came from Bavaria were arrested under suspicion of planning to attack me. If this suspicion should prove correct it would perhaps explain, too, the sudden appearance of a man named Engelhard who has been preaching civil war and pogroms against the Jews and has been spreading nasty lies about my private life, alleging that I was grandmaster of a lodge, and that I was most of the time en route in an airplane to London or Paris on some sinister business or other.

"Around Lake Constance and the Salem Valley people have far too much good sense to plan political murders and it would take a long time to prepare the ground here for such crimes."

The plot is believed to have been instigated by a Bavarian National Socialist organization, though the Bavarian reactionary press seeks to make it appear taht Baden Communists were responsible. Though there are quite a number of Communists in Southern Baden and even around the secluded valley of Salem, Prince Max is much too popular there even with the reddest for it to be likely that a plan to murder him would be hatched there.

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On behalf of the Management,
E. J. PEARSON.

MURDERS HIS WIFE AFTER 10-DAY HUNT

Bridgeport Machinist Finds Her With Another Man in Garfield (N. J.) Home.

WAITS OUTSIDE TO KILL HER

Police Find Him With His Four Children Near the Scene—Says He's Happiest Man in World.

Special to The New York Times.

HACKENSACK, N. J., Dec. 30.—Frank Madez, a machinist of Bridgeport, Conn., shot and killed his wife at Garfield, near here, last night. He went there the day before to search for the woman who, he said, took her children and ran away from Bridgeport with Konstanty Tromagski ten days ago.

According to the police, Madez traced his wife to 193 Lanza Avenue, Garfield, and spent most of Saturday awaiting an opportunity to shoot her. About 7 o'clock in the evening she left the house. A few moments later Madez shot her in the breast. Screaming, the woman started back toward the house. But Madez fired four more shots, and she fell dead when a bullet struck her in the head.

The police found Madez with his four children. He made no attempt to escape. He admitted shooting his wife, and said he regretted he did not get a chance to kill the man who stole my wife and children." He was locked up in the jail here to await action of the Grand Jury.

A loaded revolver was found in the house where Mrs. Madez lived, but the one used by Madez was found in a nearby field. Madez taking the police to the spot where he had thrown it. Tromagski also was arrested as a material witness. He said that Mrs. Madez had complained of her husband's abuse and lack of support.

"I'm glad I killed her," Madez is reported to have declared later in his cell. "I'd have got her if she'd gone to Cuba or Montreal. If I hadn't, I would have died by inches. Now I'm the happiest man in the world, and I want the newspapers to print the story for me and wife, so my friends will know."

The police said that Madez told them he would have killed Tromagski also but that he did not have a bullet left in his revolver.

Hughes to Speak Here Jan. 23.

Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes will be the guest of the Council on Foreign Relations at a dinner to be held at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel on Jan. 23. Former Ambassador John W. Davis will preside. It is expected that Mr. Hughes will make an important address on international relations.

Peekskill Military Academy Dinner.

Chauncey M. Depew and Major Gen. Henry T. Allen, newly elected trustees of the Peekskill Military Academy, will be the guests of the academy's alumni at a dinner at the Harvard Club on Tuesday night, Jan. 15. Both Mr. Depew and Major Gen. Allen are graduates of the academy.

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